

# Butterfly Pea



*Clitoria ternatea*

**Habit:** Climbing plant to 7m. It smothers grass, shrubs and small trees. It has purple flowers with a yellow blotch in the centre. Seeds are in pods.

**Spread:** Spreads from gardens into bush.

**Weed because:** It smothers grass, shrubs and small trees.

## ***METHODS***

### **Pull & Burn**

Hand-pull and use rakes to get out of shrubs and trees— Burn piles.

### **Cut & Spray**

Where creepers reach into shrubs and trees cut at the bottom with a brushcutter or hand tool and spray the cuts. Pull as much off vegetation as possible.

### **Slash, Pull & Burn**

The seeds will germinate after fire. Where dominant, slash first & leave to dry. Lightly burn to bring up the seed. Keep the fire cool— Pull as much weed as you can out first.

### **New Plants**

Carefully spray or pull new plants while they are small. Be sure to get the roots as well.