

WHARANGI

Sub Canopy 5m

(Melicope ternata)



Description:

- A small lowland forest tree preferring shelter. It will tolerate rocky sites
- The leaves are an attractive light green and carry oil glands. Crushed foliage has a pleasant sweet aroma
- It has a spreading canopy rather than an upright form

Fruit & Flowers:

- White flowers appear between early spring to early summer.
- The fruit are four lobed, each one holding a black shiny seed, ripening from February to March. A hard seed, wharangi is food for the kakariki

Uses:

- There are no particular major pests or diseases of wharangi
- The NZ Bee Keepers Association lists wharangi in its 'urban tree for bees'