



# PIGEONWOOD

(*Hedycarya arborea*)  
*Porokaiwhiri*

CANOPY  
12m



#### **Description:**

- Found in lower forests throughout the North Island and the West Coast of the South Island
- The canopy is erect and frost tender. Pigeonwood prefers sheltered damper sites
- With serrated edges and a red leaf stalk the leaves are located opposite each other

#### **Fruit & Flowers:**

- Male and female flowers appear on separate trees. Occurring in spring to mid-summer the flowers are perfumed. The female flower is greenish
- From summer to early autumn the bright orange plum like drupes are in clusters of up to eight fruit

#### **Pests / Diseases:**

- There are no significant pests or diseases

#### **Uses:**

- As the name suggests, the fruit are a major food source of the herbivorous birds such as the pigeon