



KOWHAI – pipit – mikimiki young plains ecosystem

Food for native birds:

F = Fruit

S = Bird Seed

N = Nectar

B = Bud/foliage

I = Insects

For lizards: L = fruit

Plant Tolerances

■ = tolerates or needs

□ = intolerant

½ = tolerant of some

* = to establish, protect from frost

t = toxic for toddlers

Staging

1 = 1st structural

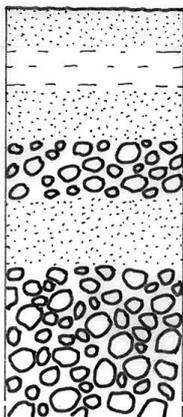
2 = 2nd year

3 = only after canopy closure

PLANT LISTS Selected from vegetation natural to these moist & deep Selwyn soils

		Tolerances						
		Food	sun	shade	wet	dry	wind	Stages
TREES & TALL SHRUBS (>5 m tall)								
<i>Coprosma robusta</i>	karamu	F	■	■	■	½	½	1
<i>Cordyline australis</i>	ti kouka, cabbage tree	F,N,I	■	½	■	■	■	1
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	akeake	I	■	½	□	■	■	2*
<i>Griselinia littoralis</i>	kapuka, broadleaf	F,I	■	■	½	■	■	2
<i>Hoheria angustifolia</i>	houhere, narrow-leaved lacebark (semi-decid)	I	■	½	½	■	■	1
<i>Kunzea ericoides</i>	kanuka	I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Melicactus micranthus</i>	manakura, shrubby mahoe	F,I	½	■	½	½	□	3
<i>Melicactus ramiflorus</i>	mahoe, whiteywood	F,L,I	½	■	½	½	½	3*
<i>Myoporum laetum</i>	ngaio	F,I	■	½	□	■	t	3*
<i>Olearia paniculata</i>	akiraho, golden akeake	I	■	½	□	■	■	1
<i>Pittosporum tenuifolium</i>	kohuhu, black matipo/mapau, tawhari	F,I	■	■	½	■	■	1
<i>Podocarpus totara</i>	totara	F	■	½	½	■	■	2
<i>Pseudopanax arboreus</i>	fivefinger, whauwhaupaku	F,N,I	■	■	□	½	½	2
<i>Pseudopanax crassifolius</i>	lancewood, horoeka	F,N,B,I	■	½	■	■	■	2
<i>Sophora microphylla</i>	South Island kowhai	N,I	■	½	½	■	t	2
CLIMBERS & VINES								
<i>Clematis forsteri</i>	yellow clematis	I	½	■	□	½	½	3
<i>Clematis quadribracteolata/marata</i>	clematis	I	■	½	□	■	■	2
<i>Parsonsia capsularis</i>	kaiwhiria, NZ jasmine	I	■	■	½	½	■	3
<i>Parsonsia heterophylla</i>	kaiwhiria, NZ jasmine	I	■	■	½	■	■	3
<i>Rubus schmidelioides</i>	taramoa, narrow-leaved lawyer	F,I	■	½	½	■	■	2
SHRUBS & SCRAMBLERS								
<i>Calystegia tuguriorum</i>	powhiwhi, NZ bindweed	S,I	■	½	□	■	■	2
<i>Carmichaelia australis</i>	NZ shrub broom	S,I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Clematis afoliata</i>	leafless clematis	S,I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Coprosma crassifolia</i>	thick-leaved mikimiki	F,L	■	½	½	■	■	1
<i>Coprosma intertexta</i>	open mikimiki	F,L	■	½	□	■	■	1
<i>Coprosma propinqua</i>	mikimiki, mingimingi	F,L	■	½	■	■	■	1
<i>Coprosma virescens</i>	pale green coprosma	F,L	■	½	½	■	■	1
<i>Corokia cotoneaster</i>	korokio	F,I	■	½	□	■	■	1
<i>Discaria toumatou</i>	matagouri	I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Helichrysum lanceolatum</i>	niniaio	I	■	½	□	■	■	2
<i>Leptecophylla juniperina</i>	prickly mingimingi	F,I	½	■	□	■	■	2
<i>Leucopogon fasciculatus</i>	mingimingi	F,I	½	½	□	½	½	2

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<i>Melicytus alpinus</i>	porcupine shrub	F,L,I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Muehlenbeckia astonii</i>	shrub pohuehue	F,L,I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Muehlenbeckia complexa</i>	scrambling pohuehue	F,L,I	■	□	½	■	■	1
<i>Myrsine divaricata</i>	weeping mapou	F,L,I	½	½	■	½	■	2
<i>Olearia adenocarpa</i>	Canterbury shrub daisy	S,I	■	□	□	■	■	1
<i>Ozothamnus leptophyllus</i>	tauhinu, cottonwood	S,I	■	□	½	■	■	1
<i>Pomaderris ericifolia</i>	tauhinu	S,I	■	½	□	■	■	
<i>Rubus squarrosus</i>	leafless lawyer	F,L,I	■	½	□	■	■	2
<i>Teucrium parvifolium</i>	NZ shrub verbena	I	■	½	□	½	■	2



Underlayers: Alternating sand & silt on greywacke river stones (2-100mm rounded)