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INTRODUCTION

This guide is a companion to "Native Vegetation for South Marlborough" which was published by the Marlborough District Council (MDC) in 2004. Ecological surveys commissioned by MDC throughout North Marlborough (that is, north of the Wairau River) since then have stimulated interest in a matching guide. Many people are interested in enhancing their land with restoration planting. This has often been a suggestion for the management of the significant natural areas identified in the ecological surveys. Providing refuges for special North Marlborough plants is another reason for planting.

North Marlborough is typified by the labyrinthine system of waterways, fertile valleys and rugged hills. It has a benign climate that favours plant growth: reliable rainfall and a relatively mild temperature range. In its primeval state it would have been cloaked in forest from the coast to the tops, including the alluvial valley floors. It would have abounded with native creatures: flying birds, flightless birds, bats, lizards, frogs and a wealth of invertebrates such as giant land snails, weta and stick insects. Localised forest clearance occurred in the centuries prior to European settlement, but widespread clearance happened subsequently, in the quest for timber and farmland. Loss of habitat and predation by introduced mammals are responsible for the decimation of the native fauna.

Except in unusual places such as the ultramafic zone (Mineral Belt) in the NW of the region, forest quickly grows back on formerly cleared land, so long as farm stock and feral animals are in low numbers, fires are prevented and overbearing weeds such as wattles and wilding pines are eliminated. The power of natural regeneration to restore the bush cover, whether the clearance was done by people or was the result of severe winds, is probably as great as anywhere in New Zealand. Nevertheless there is plenty of scope to stimulate and supplement naturally regenerating vegetation with native plantings.

North Marlborough has an array of rare, threatened and unusual plants to rival those of South Marlborough. They include species that are unique to Cook Strait shores, endemic to the ultramafic zone, found only in very localised high-altitude sites or widespread but at risk nationally. Many lend themselves to propagation and planting. Some, such as Cook Strait kowhai and fierce lancewood, are better known in cultivation than in the wild. Others, such as large-leaved milk tree, will only be saved from regional extinction by propagation and planting in sites where they are secure.

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1| PLANTING AND RESTORATION PURPOSE

WHY NATIVE VEGETATION?

By planting native plants or restoring areas of existing native vegetation you are helping to preserve the natural character and tremendous natural diversity of North Marlborough. Also, if species that grow naturally on the site are selected, correctly planted and cared for they should require only minimal maintenance, once established. In turn, they will attract native birds and insects, enriching Marlborough's ecosystems.

New Zealand supports over 50,000 native invertebrate species including insects and soil fauna, many associated with particular native plants/ecosystems. Some are specific to certain plant species, so if we do not provide 'their' habitats, they may be lost.

For a native planting to thrive with a minimum of fuss, the grower needs to put in some initial research, starting with identifying its purpose. The next step is to observe (or find out) what originally grew on the site, having adapted to suit the conditions. Only then, should species be selected.

Broadly, indigenous plantings tend to be motivated by a combination of conservation, aesthetic and practical purposes. The following description of some purposes for planting should help you clarify your own aims and objectives.

CONSERVATION/RESTORATION

Planting native species offers the satisfaction and enjoyment of enhancing natural biodiversity or reconstructing habitats based on natural patterns. It can be as simple as creating a pocket of native trees in the corner of a paddock, restoring native vegetation beside a stream or pond, or providing a buffer on an exposed bush edge. Plants can also be planted within successional scrub or low forest such as gorse, bracken, tauhinu, manuka and kanuka, to speed up the natural successional process. Species that can be used for this include beeches, podocarps (rimu, matai, kahikatea and totara) and broadleaved trees (such as kohekohe and tawa) and will eventually form tall forest. Species can also be chosen for their value to native birds, lizards and insects. Other potential benefits lie in the improvement of native fish habitat, water quality and erosion control.

The selection of which species to plant requires care, to maintain the natural character of North Marlborough. Not only should naturally occurring species be used, but if possible these should be ecosourced, to protect the genetic makeup of the original local plants.

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Forest, wetland and streamside remnants and coastal scarps are among sites in North Marlborough being protected and enhanced by private landowners who value the district's ecological heritage. The highest priority for conservation is protection of remaining areas of primary native vegetation (e.g. unlogged forest). However, there is also value to natural ecology and native biodiversity in secondary native vegetation (e.g. manuka scrub, kanuka forest, tree fern forest, regenerating forests of kamahi or beech). In North Marlborough there are normally plentiful nearby seed sources to fuel the regeneration process, but management and planting can add valuable diversity and speed the transition.

Ideally, threatened plants are best protected in the wild where they occur. This is not always practical or adequate though. Fierce lancewood (*Pseudopanax ferox*), for example, is extremely rare in North Marlborough, so seeds from remaining wild plants have been collected and the resulting seedlings have been distributed to landowners who are within the natural range of fierce lancewood and have protected sites for planting. It is hoped that this will help the species to survive and flourish into the



Pygmy button daisy (Leptinella nana) is a threatened plant that occurs on flood-prone riverbanks in the Pelorus catchment.

future. The Department of Conservation offers information on threatened plants and is happy to advise and assist landowners wanting to establish or protect such plants on their properties.

ENHANCING WATER QUALITY

Wetlands

Natural wetlands, full of life, once occurred throughout North Marlborough on valley floors and coastal flats. Most have been drained for farming, but quite a few remain. Restoration can begin with exclusion of domestic stock and weed control if necessary, followed by planting of appropriate species such as flax, cabbage tree, toetoe, tussock sedges, kahikatea, ribbonwood and pukatea. Swamp maire *(Syzygium maire)*, now rare in North Marlborough, could also be established in sites not prone to frost or drying out.

Ideally, a wetland site will include a mix of open water and swampy or dry land to encourage birds. Sloping edges rather than steep sides, provide access in and out of the water and unplanted areas allow for bird 'standing room'. Irregularly shaped edges provide shelter from a range of wind directions and islands can be predatorfree nesting sites. Any modification or mechanical disturbance to a wetland, even if it is ultimately for restoration purposes, may require resource consent. Advice should be sought from the Marlborough District Council.

Wetlands can have a number of benefits including;

- purifying water by stripping nutrients such as nitrogen through bacterial
- ¤ acting as a giant sponge to control water flow
- ¤ trapping sediment and minimising silt entry to waterways and harbours
- providing habitat and a food source for fish, birds, insects and other animals If you would like to know more about wetland restoration, the Marlborough District Council, Fish & Game New Zealand, the Department of Conservation and the Landcare

Trust may be able to help with advice and, in some cases, financial assistance for protecting wetlands.

Paul and Muff Newton farm at "Kaituna Hills" near Havelock. In 2005 they decided to restore a one hectare remnant area of wetland on the flats near the Kaituna River. The site was relatively weed free and so the first job was to fence the area from stock to protect the few native plants that were still there and allow for more restoration planting. From an original base of only one remaining kahikatea tree and some rushes and sedges, the Newtons have added more kahikatea, flaxes, ribbonwoods and cabbage trees and five years later the wetland is starting to add natural character and habitat value to the flats. Because the flats are flooded by the Kaituna River from time to time willow invasion is an ongoing issue, as bits get left after a flood and become established within the fenced area.



The Newton wetland fenced and newly planted in 2006 (left). Four years later the wetland is starting to add natural character to the flats (right).

Riparian Strips

A mosaic of diverse riparian forest that provided abundant habitat for native fauna once grew alongside rivers and streams of North Marlborough. Restoration of waterway margins by removing weeds and planting native species improves local biodiversity and has a number of other benefits including:

- ¤ shading and cooling of water to promote freshwater life
- ¤ providing habitat and food for plants and animals
- providing a seed dispersal corridor for native birds
- improving water quality by filtering some faecal matter, sediment and nutrients from surface run-off
- uptake of some nitrogen and phosphates by plant roots, which also protect against bank erosion
- aesthetic value, shade and shelter for stock on the other side of the fence and recreational opportunities.

Species suitable for riparian sites are listed in a separate column in the plant lists in Chapter 4. Planting should generally include low, overhanging species along wet stream margins (such as tussock sedges, toetoe and harakeke) and taller species (such as kowhai, cabbage trees, kanuka, lowland ribbonwood and narrow-leaved lacebark), planted back from the water's edge.



The Rai Valley Area School has been actively involved in native planting and restoration in their local area for a number of years. Environmental studies are woven into the school curriculum and the children have been involved in stream life studies. and helping to restore the riparian areas along the rivers and streams. The school has its own propagating nursery where they grow a variety of native plants from local seed. Some of the species include kowhai, kanuka and cabbage trees. Once the plants are approximately two years old the school provides them to local farming families to plant along stream edges to help stabilise the banks and shade the waterways in the area.

PROVIDING A NATIVE BIRD, INSECT AND LIZARD HABITAT

Our forests are quieter and less full of life than they used to be. Native bird populations continue to decline, due to loss of habitat and predation by introduced pests. Native invertebrates (insects, spiders, etc.) and lizards are declining too, for the same reasons.

The planting of even a single native tree such as a kowhai in a garden can attract native birds. Plant or protect a larger area – from a garden to a hillside forest or wetland – and a whole range of bird, lizard and invertebrate species will benefit from the production of fruit, seeds, nectar and foliage. Even leaf litter and topsoil beneath native vegetation is valuable habitat for many species.

Locally-occurring plant species that are particularly bird, insect and lizard-friendly include harakeke, cabbage tree, five-finger, tree fuchsia, manuka, kanuka, kahikatea, totara, kowhai, lancewood, narrow-leaved lacebark and a range of smallleaved shrubs that produce numerous fleshy fruit.

Preventing extinctions and increasing the populations of native plants and animals may require eradicating or controlling pests such as possums, ferrets, stoats, feral cats, rats, hedgehogs, pigs, goats and deer.



A rare yellow form of the manuka gecko (Naultinus manukanus), found on Arapawa Island. This species (which is also known as the Marlborough green gecko) is endemic to North Marlborough and is on the list of nationally threatened fauna.

Long-tailed Bats at Pelorus Bridge

At Pelorus Bridge Scenic Reserve between Canvastown and Rai Valley a small population of long-tailed bats roost in the large forest around the bridge and camp site. On warm summer evenings, bats can sometimes be seen in the twilight, circling high in the forest canopy, flying along the river or foraging for moths above the street lights on the SH 6 bridge.

Bats are the only land based mammal species in New Zealand and fossil records show that before humans arrived three bat species were widespread and abundant. Now one of these (the greater short-tailed bat) is extinct and the other two (short-tailed and long-tailed bat), are declining rapidly and rarely seen.

Forest and Bird, along with local iwi Ngati Kuia and the rural community, have initiated a project to study and protect the few long-tailed bats living at Pelorus Bridge. Detector devices which pick up the sonar signals from bats have been used and bats have been detected on d'Urville island as well as in the Pelorus/Rai/Wakamarina area. Bats are threatened by both loss of habitat (they need good mature lowland podocarp forest), and introduced pests including possums, rats, stoats and wasps.

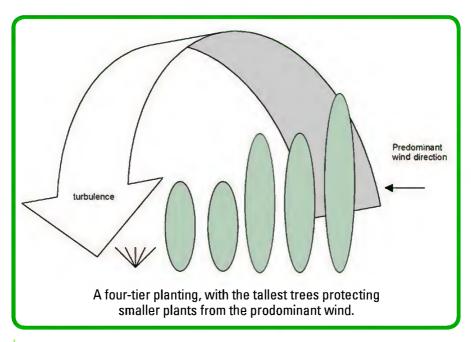
PRACTICAL PLANTINGS

Native plants can be used for various practical purposes. They include:

- p shelter and shade (for buildings, gardens, farm animals, etc)
- ¤ landscaping
- ¤ filling unproductive areas
- ¤ protection from fire
- a timber production
- a honey production
- a carbon sequestration

Shelter and shade

Native plants can provide effective shelter and shade for a range of settings, from the bach to the farm or vineyard. Aesthetically, native shelter plantings are low-key yet attractive. Providing appropriate species are selected and become well established, they should thrive with little maintenance.



Exotic shelter species such as pines, macrocarpa, poplars, willows, gums and pampas grass are popular because they grow fast. However, on the downside, many, like the gorse, broom, elderberry, hawthorn and pines planted in our pioneering past and more recently pampas, wattles, sycamore and cotoneaster, have become weeds and do not provide optimum habitat for native wildlife.

Many landowners opt to plant both native and exotic species together, to suit particular sites or fulfil specific purposes (such as provision of autumn colour, fruit, nuts, etc). Exotic species are also used to provide shelter for interplanting or underplanting



with native species. Tree lucerne (tagasaste) is frequently used like that, having the benefit of flowering through winter and spring when nectar and nutritious plant matter are scarce; bellbirds, tui and kereru are the prime beneficiaries. The tree lucerne can be progressively removed as the native plants grow up, or it can be left to die out (it is rapid-growing but fairly short-lived).

Landscaping

There is a growing trend towards using native plants in landscaping, as New Zealanders increasingly seek to express their identity through low-maintenance native plantings. The landscapes of North Marlborough have a lot of native vegetation, forming the setting for most baches, houses and farms, also amenity areas. It doesn't take much in such a setting to soften the outlines of buildings or facilities and make them blend into the landscape; for instance some lancewoods or tree ferns against a house, a few cabbage trees near the stock yards, or the use of flaxes to define and shelter a picnic spot. The scope beyond that is endless.

As for any plantings, the selection of appropriate species for the site, correct planting and follow-up maintenance will significantly contribute to the success of the planting.

Filling unproductive areas

Farm management has long trended towards fencing off areas that are not good for pastoral production and planting them in trees. In the past, exotic timber species have been planted as a rule. Increasingly though, awkward corners, very steep land, boggy sites, bony faces and coastal scarps are being retired from pastoral farming and either allowed to regenerate or planted in natives (or both). This is happening on a substantial scale on some properties, the landowners recognising the economic value of enhancing the natural character of their farm environments.

The benefits are in improved stock management, protection of native vegetation and enhancement of native biodiversity. There may also be harvests of high quality native timber (e.g. totara and rewarewa) or honey (e.g. manuka and kanuka).

Protection from fire

If planting close to a house or building, especially where the property is vulnerable to grass or scrub fires, avoid species that carry fire such as manuka and kanuka. Most other native trees and shrubs, also flaxes, are fire resistant. Many will recover after fire, including cabbage tree, kowhai, mahoe/whiteywood, broadleaf and ngaio.

Flammable vegetation, such as manuka scrub, bracken, pine trees or gorse, can similarly be given a measure of protection from fire by planting a margin of fire-resistant native plants. As natural regeneration progresses in North Marlborough, the vegetation becomes increasingly less vulnerable to fire; the same is true if native fire-resistant species are planted within the flammable vegetation.

Timber production

Many native tree species provide timber with various properties, however commercial forestry in New Zealand has focused primarily on exotic species. Farmers interested in native trees for timber have been establishing plantations in the last few decades. The NZ Farm Forestry Association has an Indigenous Forest Section and is a network for sharing information on establishment techniques and follow-up maintenance. The former NZ Forest Research Institute (now SCION), has put out a very useful book on growing totara for wood (Bergin 2003) and another on native trees for wood (Bergin & Gea 2005).

Totara is the obvious native timber tree for North Marlborough. It is hardy and relatively quick-growing. Other species that could be considered are rewarewa,

kahikatea, black beech, red beech, silver beech, pukatea, kohekohe, tanekaha and black maire. It would be wise to seek advice on matching species to sites, planting densities and management. Some species may need to be planted within the shelter of other vegetation.

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Honey production and medicinal uses

Manuka and kanuka are probably the mainstays amongst native species of the honey industry. The nectar from their prolific flowers makes honey that is marketed as "manuka honey". Also important in North Marlborough are kamahi and honeydew from black beech. Rewarewa and southern rata also produce good honey. All of these native plant species could be planted for honey production, as well as for other reasons.

Many common native plants have medicinal value, some scientifically verified and some known mostly through traditional Maori knowledge.

Carbon sequestration

With the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) and the Permanent Forest Sink Initiative (PFSI) now in place, there is the option to plant native trees or manage existing regenerating native vegetation to capture atmospheric carbon (carbon dioxide) and earn carbon credits that can be sold or used to offset emissions. A number of Marlborough landowners are already taking advantage of these opportunities.

While native plants may be slower growing than some exotic species they provide additional biodiversity benefits. In North Marlborough natural regeneration rates are probably as high as anywhere in the country,



effectively sequestering more and more carbon as the complexity and stature of the regenerating forests increase over time. Whether planted or naturally regenerating, areas set aside for "carbon farming" will accumulate more carbon if browsing animals are excluded or controlled to low levels. Landowners should contact the local MAF office (details listed in the Appendices), or forestry consultants for more information on opportunities available to them through the Emissions Trading Scheme and the Permanent Forest Sink Initiative.

2| PLANNING YOUR PLANTING OR RESTORATION PROGRAMME

UNDERSTANDING THE SITE

Consider details such as:

- Decation and microclimate whether coastal (subject to sun, wind, sea salt and shore erosion/deposition) or inland (subject to fog and frost).
- Aspect a north-facing slope will be markedly drier and more drought-prone than a slope with a southerly aspect.
- Slope flat and easy slopes offer more options than steep slopes, which require careful plant choice, site preparation and planting.
- Soil type and stability quite different soils can occur in close proximity; alluvial soils are usually deeper, more fertile and more stable than soils on hillsides; schist soils are more clayey and slip-prone than those formed on greywacke and volcanic rocks; Mineral belt (ultramafic) soils have peculiar combinations of elements that not all plants can tolerate.
- Drainage wetlands require plants that can handle wet feet; elsewhere a wider range of species can be considered, but they need to be able to withstand dry periods when water levels are low.
- ¤ Risk of livestock damage good fences are essential to protect plantings.
- Presence of animal and plant pests feral animals can do major damage to new plantings and weeds can overwhelm planting sites unless kept under control.
- Existing native vegetation what native species are growing naturally at or near the site, under similar conditions, and what shelter the existing native vegetation can provide for new plants.
- Timing of planting to avoid harsh frosts and dry soils, according to local conditions. Early spring planting while soil moisture is still high and after the worst of the frosts are over will give best results, in most areas.
- ¤ Stage and condition of existing vegetation (more on this below)

ESTABLISHMENT STAGES

Before people arrived, almost all of the land in North Marlborough was cloaked in forest. The valleys had towering forests of podocarps, beeches and broadleaved trees, festooned with vines and with abundant ferny undergrowth. On the slopes were beech forests, with various podocarps (especially rimu), a lot of kamahi and undergrowth of shrubs and ferns.

Widespread clearance of the original forest vegetation occurred for pastoral farm development. This was followed by a reduction in farmed area which has resulted in large areas of regenerating native vegetation since the 1950s. Vigorous regeneration occurs due to the warm moist climate, relatively fertile soils and proximity of mature forest that provides a seed source from both wind and bird spread seed.

Following natural disturbance, tall native forest gradually re-establishes (as long as seed sources are nearby) via three successional "stages". The first stage is the cover provided by quick-growing pioneer species such as manuka, kanuka, tauhinu, bracken, kamahi, five-finger, karamu, mahoe and tree ferns; the second stage is the development of a more diverse forest with a wide range of broadleaved species and the third stage is the transition back to the dominance of larger long lived forest trees with a complex understorey. These stages are described in more detail below in relation to North Marlborough.

The **first stage** is the establishment of pioneer species. Mostly they are natives such as such as manuka, kanuka, tauhinu, bracken, kamahi, karamu and tree ferns but they can also be exotic species such as gorse, broom and Spanish heath. These provide a nursery for other species to establish within. Mostly they are overtaken quite quickly



(within 15 - 30 years), but kanuka grows taller and can remain in the canopy for the best part of a century and kamahi can become large and long-lived also. This stage can also include various weeds including wilding tree species. Weeds such as gorse, broom, blackberry, barberry and Spanish heath are generally not an ecological threat as they will eventually be overtaken, but tree weeds like wilding pines, wattles and hawthorn can become dominant and require control.

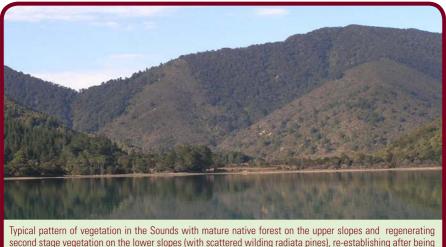
The second stage involves the establishmentofawiderangeofbroadleaved trees and shrubs such as akeake, broadleaf, cabbage tree, five finger, hinau, heketara, kaikomako, kamahi, karamu, kawakawa, kohuhu, koromiko, lancewood, mahoe, mingimingi, pigeonwood, putaputaweta, rangiora, rewarewa and wineberry. They are usually accompanied by an array of ferns and ground-cover plants. Tree ferns, especially mamaku, are often abundant in moist or shaded places. These species can form a dense understorey for some time (in the case where the long lived kanuka is the original pioneer species), but usually begin to overtake and form low forests after twenty years or less (where shorter lived species such as gorse or tauhinu are the pioneer species). Broadleaved species



provide a rich source of food for birds and gradually transition into taller more complex forests.

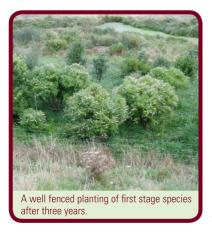
The **third stage** is the transition to dominance by longer-lived canopy and sub canopy trees such as beeches, podocarps (rimu, totara, matai, miro and kahikatea) and large broadleaved species (kamahi, tawa, hinau, titoki, nikau, kohekohe, pukatea etc). This eventually results in forests like the existing mature remnants and tracts that are found in the district. This stage is dependent on the local availability of seeds or other plant material; all stages are dependent on lack of disturbance (by fire, mechanical clearance, weather extremes, domestic stock, feral animals or weed invasion).

Some sites would naturally have had different vegetation. Flood-prone stream and river banks would have had tough shrubs, small trees and flaxes. Wetlands and their margins would have had lowland flax, cabbage trees, sedges and rushes. Coastal faces had coastal flax, tough shrubs, silver tussock and a range of herbaceous plants tolerant of constant erosion, intense sun, salt spray and minimal soil. Most of these species are robust enough to plant in the open without a sheltering establishment stage.



burned and farmed until the 1950s.

Having noted conditions on the site and the native vegetation at the site or growing in similar conditions nearby, you can decide on the species you wish to plant or other management (for instance plant or animal pest control), you wish to put in place.



EARLY STAGE PLANTING

Pioneer (or first stage) native plants grow well in the open (retired pasture and bare ground), can be used to suppress competing vegetation (such as grass) and provide protection from sun, wind and frost for subsequent plantings. They also provide habitat for birds, lizards and invertebrates and a nursery for natural establishment of other native species. It is best to densely plant pioneer species, so that canopy cover is achieved quickly (within a few years).

Typical North Marlborough native pioneer species that lend themselves to initial planting include plants that would be occurring in both the first and second stages of natural succession described above and include:

COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME
Akeake	Dodonaea viscosa
Akiraho	Olearia paniculata
Broadleaf	Griselinia littoralis
Cabbage tree	Cordyline australis
Coastal shrub daisy	Olearia solandri
Flax	Phormium tenax & P. cookianum
Kanuka	Kunzea ericoides
Karamu	Coprosma robusta
Kohuhu	Pittosporum tenuifolium
Koromiko	Hebe stricta & H. parviflora
Lancewood	Pseudopanax crassifolius & P. ferox
Manuka	Leptospermum scoparium
Mapou	Myrsine australis
Mingimingi	Coprosma propinqua & C. crassifolia
Narrow-leaved lacebark	Hoheria angustifolia
Ngaio	Myoporum laetum
Wineberry	Aristotelia serrata

Some of the longer-lived third stage tree species are quite hardy also and can be planted in the open in some circumstances. Lowland totara for example, is relatively frost tolerant and drought hardy so can be planted in the open and will grow faster in the light. Beech species will also establish in direct sunlight but grow better if sheltered from wind.

Exotic species can also be used to provide the initial shelter, for instance a shelter belt of tree lucerne or conifers such as pines. However, species such as pines are increasingly troublesome as ecological weeds in North Marlborough and if they are used to shelter native plantings it is advised that they are viewed as temporary and are removed as soon as the need for shelter ends.

ENHANCING EXISTING VEGETATION (LATER STAGE PLANTING)

In North Marlborough there are extensive areas of naturally regenerating native and exotic vegetation, generally on hill slopes once cleared for pastoral farming. These areas will generally slowly go through a process of vegetation succession without human intervention although the process can be enhanced in a variety of ways including:

- ¤ Plant and animal pest control to assist regeneration
- ¤ Interplanting to speed the succession process
- ¤ Restoring the understorey in treeland remnants on farms

Plant and animal pest control

The presence of even quite low numbers of either animal and/or plant pests can slow the regeneration and succession process down. In many cases the best management a landowner can apply is active management of pests such as pigs, deer, goat and possums and control of weeds such as wilding pines and climbers like old man's beard, banana passionfruit and Japanese honeysuckle. Each site is different and will require consideration of what type of management is most relevant and how this might be carried out. Along with impacts on native plants, some introduced animal pests also have a serious impact on native animals, including birds, bats, lizards and insects. More detailed information on animal pest and weed control can be found in Chapter 5.

Inter-planting to speed the succession process

Landowners with areas of naturally regenerating vegetation, or who have carried out a native planting from scratch and wish to further speed up the process of regeneration, could add forest species that would not naturally arrive until later in the successional process, by inter-planting third stage plants into first or second stage vegetation. Local forest composition and site conditions should be used as a guide. Plants should be a good size before they are planted out - at least 40 - 60 cm in height. Inter-planting could include third stage species such as:

COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME
Black beech	Nothofagus solandri
Kahikatea	Dacryrcarpus dacrydioides
Kohekohe	Dysoxylum spectabile
Miro	Prumnopitys ferruginea
Matai	Prumnopitys taxifolia
Red beech	Nothofagus fusca
Rimu	Dacrydium cupressinum
Tawa	Beilschmiedia tawa
Titoki	Alectryon excelsus
Totara	Podocarpus totara

If inter-planting into well developed existing native vegetation, finding and utilising natural light wells may be all that is required. If interplanting on a bigger scale into exotic scrub like gorse, line cutting using a chainsaw, scrub bar, small excavator or bulldozer could be carried out.

As a general rule the width of the line cut should be about half of the height of the existing vegetation, ie, if being cut into 4 metre high gorse the line should be 1.5 - 2 metres in width. Line cutting is best completed in summer with planting to follow in the winter or spring, allowing time for the cut vegetation to decay and to allow control of any regrowth prior to planting. Further weed control along the lines until plants are well established may be required.

Restoring the understorey in treeland remnants on farms

Treeland remnants on farms can be very bare underneath if stock have had access to them for years. These areas will not last in the long term as the remnant older

trees will eventually die out, unless replacement trees are planted or an understorey is allowed to develop, or is planted, underneath. In some instances simply removing stock by securely fencing the area will allow natural regeneration to occur (both from seed sources from the existing trees and from birds importing seed from elsewhere). Where conditions are favourable small seedlings will be evident on the around under the trees within one to two years. However, if the ground is very compacted or there is rank grass growth, regeneration may not happen without some intervention



and understorey planting. Rank grass will need to be sprayed at least six weeks prior to planting. If the treeland is dense enough to form a good canopy cover, plants that are frost tender can be planted (for instance five-finger, wineberry, kohekohe, titoki, akeake), along with a variety of other pioneer species from the first and second successional stages.



Koromiko school pupils learn about planting native trees (left). Four year old new plantings under the old remnant trees are getting well established (right).

KOROMIKO FOREST RESERVE RESTORATION PROJECT

This reserve area supports old forest trees including matai, totara and beech species. While the area is owned by the Marlborough District Council it was leased and grazed for several decades until 2002 and so there was no understorey at all and over time as the old trees died out the area would have deteriorated. In 2002 the Council took over the management of the reserve and changed the focus to ecological restoration.

Since 2003 there has been extensive understorey planting, much of it carried out by the Koromiko school students and other community groups. Removing all stock has meant that most plants have done well and natural regeneration can also occur from the seeds from existing trees in the reserve and from birds bringing in new seed as they use the area.

Open areas where long grass had grown were sprayed about six weeks before planting, other areas under the trees did not need spraying before planting. The forest now has a healthy understorey and is developing into a functional lowland forest ecosystem. Toilets, a parking area and tracks through the forest mean that it is very accessible to the public travelling on State Highway 1 between Picton and Blenheim.

Funding for the project has come from the Council but also supported by the Honda Tree Fund over several years. The reserve was put into a Queen Elizabeth II Trust covenant in 2006 which protects it forever from any change of land use.

NOTABLE PLANTS AND RARE ECOSYSTEMS OF NORTH MARLBOROUGH

North Marlborough is home to a suite of plants that are notable because they are endemic (e.g. found only in the ultramafic zone or on the shores of Cook Strait), nationally or regionally threatened, at extremes of geographic distribution or associated with former Maori settlement. Quite a few of these species lend themselves to being propagated and planted out, so long as suitable sites are chosen and they receive special attention if required. That way you can make a contribution to the continued presence of these species in the region, especially if their use in

your planting projects is documented. A selection of North Marlborough notable plants is included in the planting lists.

Naturally rare ecosystems that occur in North Marlborough include dunes, gravel beaches, sea cliff systems, coastal wetlands (including estuarine vegetation) and ultramafic communities. Now rare because of past land use (mostly logging, clearance and drainage for farming) are native forests and wetlands on lowland alluvial flats and terraces (valley floors and coastal flats). Riparian zones in the region have also been highly modified.



Cook Strait speargrass (foreground) grows only in exposed outer sounds locations.

If you have any of these rare ecosystems or plants on your property it is worth considering how to best protect and enhance these sites.

ECOSOURCING

Ecosourcing is one of the most important principles of native vegetation restoration. It is a key to successful planting and is the way to protect and celebrate our natural biodiversity. It involves the practice of sourcing plants or propagation material (seeds, cuttings, etc) solely from native plants growing locally, in the wild.

The definition of "local" varies with the species. For example, kanuka and karamu are widespread throughout North Marlborough, and it would be okay to use any North Marlborough material (but not that from South Marlborough). By contrast, swamp maire (*Syzygium maire*) occurs in only a few sites in North Marlborough, isolated from one another, and the nearest source should be used.

It is important to ecosource for three reasons. First, locally sourced stock is well adapted to local conditions, so has a best chance of survival and giving value to local native fauna.

Second, plants within the same species can adapt to local conditions to become genetically (and perhaps physically) distinct. For example, a tarata/lemonwood (Pittosporum eugenioides) tree growing in Nelson may look the same as one in the outer Marlborough Sounds, but there will be subtle differences in form and leaf characteristics and they will have quite different tolerances for frost, drought and wind.

Propagating from plant material of unknown origins risks interbreeding and therefore genetic "contamination" of local flora. This is true for several plants commonly used in revegetation including flaxes, kohuhu, cabbage trees, kowhai, manuka and kanuka.

Third, ecosourcing avoids the risk of planting species which are not native to North Marlborough. Some are potentially invasive and could spread into the wild, changing the nature of our native plant communities. Native species to avoid in an authentically North Marlborough planting include North Island lacebark (*Hoheria populnea*), North Island kowhai (*Sophora tetraptera*), karo (*Pittosporum crassifolium*, northern North Island), pohutukawa (*Metrosideros excelsa*, northern North Island) and *Pseudopanax lessonii* (northern North Island). Instead, plant narrow-leaved lacebark (*Hoheria angustifolia*), local kowhai (*Sophora microphylla and S. molloyi*), local kohuhu (*Pittosporum tenuifolium and P. colensoi*), southern rata (Metrosideros umbellata), lancewood and five-finger (*Pseudopanax crassifolius*, *P. ferox and P. arboreus*).

Some locally ecosourced plants may be available from local plant nurseries, as native plant nurseries are increasingly interested in producing ecosourcing plant material for restoration planting. Alternatively, you may like to collect your own seed for propagating by a local nursery or by yourself. This will require advance planning and patience, as it will mean at least a year (more likely two) before plants are ready to go in the ground. However, the payback in high plant survival and celebration of your local biodiversity should be worth it.

For seed collection, the closer the seed source to the restoration site, and the more similar the site conditions, the better. If collecting seed from private land permission from the landowner is obviously needed, and collection from conservation land requires a permit. Contact the Nelson/Marlborough Conservancy Office for information on permits (details in Appendices).



Beneath the canopy of rare lowland forest at the Redwood's place before it was fenced (left). One year later regeneration is already underway with kawakawa and many other small seedlings including kahikatea, matai and kohekohe present (right).

Tony and Joy Redwood, along with their son Phil, farm on the western side of Anakoha Bay in the outer sounds. A survey of the property carried out by an ecologist in 2005 identified six significant natural areas, and since then the Redwoods have carried out protection fencing and weed control in two of these areas. They have also "helped" the regeneration process along in one of them – nine hectares of diverse lowland forest at the head of the bay which includes five podocarp species, including rimu and lowland totara, and several plants of botanical significance including ramarama, small-leaved milk tree *(Streblus heterophyllus)* and an unusual hybrid with the rare large-leaved milk tree *(S. banksii)*.

Joy explains that while vigorous regeneration is happening naturally in parts of the forest now that stock are fenced out, other more open areas that get swamped with long grass could do with a helping hand to speed the process along. She has tried directly transplanting some species like cabbage trees but mostly she pots up excess natives like titoki, lacebark, whitey wood (mahoe), kaikomako and kohekohe when they are small and plants them out into the sprayed open areas a year or two later when they are a minimum of 30 cm high.

Joy says, "It's just basic gardening really, I hate waste and if a plant is going to be removed or is in the way of another plant it may as well be relocated. We just thought it was a way of increasing the plantings, particularly in areas where pasture has been fenced off and it's open and light."

3| HOW TO PLANT -ENSURING PLANT SURVIVAL

The North Marlborough climate is generally favourable for plant growth. However, frosts occur regularly in inland valleys, summer drought is common and gales and rainstorms are quite frequent. Appropriate plant selection for the site and care during plant establishment (usually the first two years) will minimise losses.

The following are key factors for ensuring successful plant establishment.

PREPARATION

- Time planting to avoid harsh frosts and dry soils, according to local conditions.
 Early spring planting while soil moisture is still high and after the worst of the frosts are over will give best results, in most areas. This is particularly the case in inland and high altitude areas. In some years, early autumn planting of natives can be successful when there has been some early rain. This will allow roots to get well established before the cold of winter sets in.
- In frost-free coastal situations with free-draining soils, winter planting will make the most of higher rainfall.
- Summer is the best time to plant wetland margins and the flood zone behind, when water levels are at their lowest.
- The approach will vary according to soil type and conditions. In a dry site, for example, it may be possible to use machinery (ensuring it is cleaned so it will not spread new weeds) to clear the area before planting. This would, however, not be recommended in a fragile wetland.
- In large-scale revegetation projects, ripping the ground with a tractor or bulldozer a month or two before planting will concentrate all available rainfall deep in the rips, providing good initial soil moisture levels for plant establishment. Ripping has the added benefit of making planting much

quicker (thus potentially more economical). Do not, however, rip wet or puggy soils as this will cause compaction below the surface.

- Prior to planting, poison, trap and/or shoot wild pests in the area, then follow up.
- Eliminate all weeds that are likely to prevent growth and establishment of plantings. Remove ground vegetation on the soil surface, at least out to a one metre diameter from where the specimen will be planted. Either chip off with a spade to expose the soil or spray with herbicide. Plants will grow faster in the absence of competition for water, soil nutrients and light.
- Grass is a major competitor for moisture and sometimes light. If the area has not been tightly grazed, you could weed-eat to achieve a similar effect. Herbicides will be effective on fast-growing, tall (but not on dry, rank) grasses, leaving a mulch of dead material which will inhibit grass and weed seedling growth and retain moisture.
- Provide shelter where conditions are harsh. This can be done by constructing an artificial wind-break or by initially planting wind-tolerant species such as ngaio or kanuka. Tree lucerne, radiata pine and leyland cypress are exotic alternatives which should be used with caution and later removed.
- Source quality plants that are healthy, locally grown and hardened off. Discuss your planting aims and species selection with the nursery.
- Include a number of different species to spread risk, in case some do not cope with the conditions or become vulnerable to threats such as insect attack.
- Avoid planting shock by gradually hardening plants off on the site, a week or two before planting out. Ensure they are kept well watered.
- ¤ Soak roots for up to two hours before planting.

TYPES OF PLANTING STOCK

Root Trainers (RT) and Tubes

These are seedling (one-year-old) plant stocks that have been mass produced in small containers. They are generally the best choice for larger scale planting due to being easier to transport and handle than larger potted or bagged planting stock. Cost is generally low.

Potted or Bagged

These plant stocks are in plastic bags or pots that come in a range of sizes. They can be seedling plants or older. They generally require some root pruning to remove twisted or entangled roots prior to planting. It is important to select plants that have not outgrown the bag or pot i.e. they have a large top with only a small root system. These plants can be root-bound and may not survive or grow well.



Young totara seedlings coming through in the nursary.

Bare rooted/open ground (OG)

These are plant stocks that have been grown in an open nursery bed. They have been regularly root wrenched to encourage the strong development of a full, fibrous root system. Sale of bare rooted/open ground native plant stock is not common as it does not suit the production of many native species.

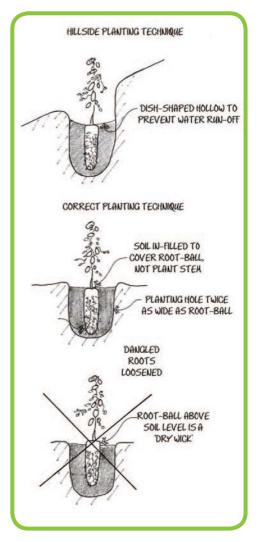
Bare rooted/open ground stock must be planted in winter or early spring in order to allow the root system to become well established. They need to be handled with care during transport and planting to minimise any damage to the root system and also to ensure the roots do not dry out.

Splitting Flax

Flax plants can be prepared by lifting a large flax and splitting it up into individual fans for planting. This is best done in winter. Ensure the plants do not dry out. The outer (older) leaves on the flax fans can be trimmed off prior to planting, taking care not to damage the inner growing shoot.

THE PLANTING PROCESS

- ¤ Soak the rootball in water, until no bubbles emerge.
- Plant at the coolest time of the day (preferably evenings), on overcast days or when there is rainfall predicted. Avoid windy days.
- Dig a hole bigger and deeper than the root ball.
- Work soil in the planting hole well beyond the size of the container to encourage root development.
- Do not pull the plant out of the bag by its stem. Cut the bag or turn the plant upside down and carefully remove to minimise root damage.
- For root-trainers, open and push plant up and out.
- Cut off tangled and matted roots.
- Place the plant into worked soil at the bottom of the hole. Consolidate crumbled soil around roots and avoid air pockets.
- On slopes, leave a dishshaped indentation around each plant to hold water.



- About a dessertspoon of slow release fertiliser (20-25g) sprinkled into the hole before planting will ensure fast initial growth. Alternatively, mix as much compost as you can afford with the soil.
- ¤ Just cover exposed potting mix with soil, not burying the stem.
- Plant deeper in dry environments (with the collar below the natural soil surface) and shallower in permanently moist sites (collar at soil surface). Never leave any of the original root ball showing above the soil, as it will act as a dry wick.
- Water plants in well directly after planting. For planting into moist, ripped ground with larger scale projects, watering will be unnecessary (providing the rootball is saturated).
- ¤ Plant in clusters so plants shelter one another as they grow.
- Mulch around the base to a depth of 8-10cm 1m² per plant, to keep the root zone weed-free and the soil well-conditioned, cool, moist and insulated, especially at hot and dry sites. Good mulch materials include straw, leaves, compost, grass clippings, seaweed and newspaper (held down by rocks or bark), permeable weedmat, coconut matting or mixes from local landscaping and composting firms. Large stones placed around the plant create a shady area. Keep very wet mulching material from directly touching the stems (especially of non-woody plants), as contact can promote collar rot.

SOME GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- ¤ Plant in clusters so plants shelter one another as they grow.
- where severe frosts are likely, plant frost-sensitive plants on north-facing slopes or beneath trees.
- To ensure fast growth and quick canopy cover, weed control is essential. To "release" a plant from competing species entails hand-pulling any growing close to the trunk then removing a metre square of weed cover from around the plant, either manually or by careful use of a herbicide.
- ¤ Fence plants from stock.

- In larger scale plantings where mulching is not feasible and grass or fern etc is likely to overtop plants, bamboo marker stakes will assist with finding plants for releasing.
- Tree protectors can be used to provide shelter for new plants. They should be removed, generally a year after planting. They may also prevent damage by rabbits and hares, otherwise use repellent sprays and/or shooting.
- To re-create bush plantings on a large scale, dense planting is essential. Plants should be spaced at between 1-1.5 metres on sites with good growing conditions. On harsher sites, such as those that are dry, exposed or with poor soils, plants should be less than one metre apart to minimise losses by providing group shelter and reduce gaps left by any that may die.
- Por early stage plantings of revegetation projects, the area should be a minimum of four metres wide in any direction (i.e. five plants wide at one metre spacings) to minimise light penetration from the edges. Any narrower and shading and weed suppression will not be effective.
- If underplanting, select a site where the plant will get some sunlight and clear ground cover from the immediate area.

FOR NUMBER CRUNCHERS

A formula for calculating the number of plants required to fill a given area is:

(x/p + 1) times (y/p + 1)

Where: x is the *length* of your area to be planted in metres y is the *width* of your area to be planted in metres p is the *spacing* between plants in metres

For example, if you had a 17m x 7m area you wanted to plant out at 1.5 metre spacings, then:

 $(17/1.5 + 1) \times (7/1.5 + 1) =$ (11.33 + 1) × (4.66 + 1), now round decimals downwards, = (11 + 1) × (4 + 1) = 12 × 5 = 60 plants required.*

*Note, that because 1.5m does not go into 17m or 7m exactly, there will be a little bit of land not able to be planted due to the rounding down. To fill the space up to all margins, round decimals upwards and plant at closer spacings at these two margins,

ie. $(12 + 1) \times (5 + 1) = 13 \times 6 = 78$ plants required.

MAINTENANCE/FOLLOW-UP

- Keep plants free of competing weeds until they are able to do this themselves with canopy closure. Remove weeds, then use mulch or weed mats.
- ¤ Ongoing mulching will also conserve water.
- The aim with irrigation should be to imitate nature. In dry country, a good drenching rather than frequent shallow watering is necessary to encourage deep rooting, enabling plants to subsequently survive droughts.
- Do not use weedeaters around young plants without hand-clearing the grass first. Ringbarking is one of the most common causes of plant mortality.
- Do not spray grass around your plants unless you get good advice on what herbicides to use. Many natives are very susceptible to spray drift.
- ¤ Control pests.
- Keep a photographic record and a diary of progress. This will help you learn what works and what does not and make changes as necessary.



New native plant surrounded by competing weeds and identified by a bamboo stake.

4| THE PLANT LISTS - USING THIS GUIDE

North Marlborough is rich in native plant species, especially forest and coastal plants and including many rare, threatened or otherwise notable species. For this guide, a selection has been made of species that are widely known, typically available from local nurseries specialising in natives and – if well planted and cared for – can be grown successfully.

Many other species are suitable for native restoration projects. For those taking on large-scale plantings, interested in propagating or ecosourcing their own plant material or particularly enthusiastic about North Marlborough flora, extra information is available from the Department of Conservation, Nelson.

Once you have clarified the purpose of your planting and studied conditions at your chosen site, the following lists can be used to select suitable plant species according to ecological district, site conditions and personal preferences (such as growth form, height at maturity, attractiveness to birds and rarity).



THE PLANT LISTS

There are eight lists of plants altogether.

The first three relate to different geographical areas in North Marlborough: Inland North Marlborough, Inner Sounds and Outer Sounds. These are shown on the map and also give a rough guide as to where plants should ideally be sourced from to ensure that ecosourcing principles are maintained. If it is not possible to obtain plants from within their own area, plants from elsewhere in North Marlborough should be used rather than plants from other parts of New Zealand.

The fourth and fifth lists identify plants most suited to coastal and wetland environments.

The sixth list relates to threatened plants in North Marlborough, with threat categories, ecosystem or habitat types and identified potential restoration places set out.

The seventh list identifies plants that are not ranked as threatened but are otherwise notable because of their unexpectedness, remnant status, cultural associations or representing extremes of distribution. They are listed along with ecosystem or habitat types and identified potential restoration.

The eighth and final list identifies exotic species and non-local natives which can be problematic because of their potential to spread vigorously and out-compete local native plants. Alternative more suitable native species are suggested.

Along with each plant's scientific and common name, the lists provide information on growing characteristics including frost tenderness, sunlight and moisture preferences and attractiveness as a food source for birds and other native fauna.

Inland North Marlborough

This is the inland part of North Marlborough, characterised by fertile lowland valleys, prone to frosts and occasional flooding, and steep hill country. It includes Pelorus, Para and Fishtail ecological districts and part of Red Hills ecological district. There are excellent opportunities to protect and restore old remnant treelands on farms in this area and also to carry out worthwhile riparian restoration planting.

Inner Sounds

The Inner Sounds occupy the south-western half of the Sounds ecological district. They have a flora of plants shared with the hinterland, with coastal species in addition. The climate has a maritime component but is largely sheltered from the prevailing westerly weather and the funnelling effects of Cook Strait. Kohekohe is absent, probably because of its intolerance of cool conditions. Natural regeneration is vigorous in this area.

Outer Sounds

The distribution of kohekohe, where it is still present, defines the Outer Sounds: D'Urville ecological district, the north-eastern half of the Sounds ecological district and the western (South Island) part of Cook Strait ecological district. The Outer

Sounds are exposed to the ferocity of the elements, particularly strong salt-laden winds. Unsurprisingly there are species adapted to the Cook Strait conditions and found nowhere else.

Coastal Sites

Plants in this list can generally tolerate salty conditions. Most can be planted on margins adjacent to the coast, while the groundcovers include species able to grow right on the beach or on coastal cliffs.

Wetland Sites

Wetland and estuarine areas can support a range of plants with varying tolerance to wet conditions. The list identifies plants more suited to the margins, very wet areas and coastal estuarine conditions.

Riparian Plants

Not listed separately but a column within the various lists is included to show whether plants are suitable for riparian planting alongside streams and waterbodies.

Threatened Plants

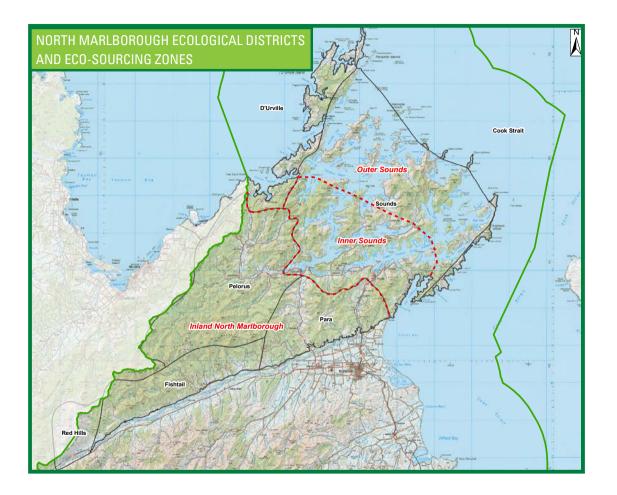
North Marlborough is home to a surprising number of New Zealand's threatened native species. They include plants endemic to the Cook Strait environment, others peculiar to the ultramafic zone, some alpine species, forest species and riparian (streamside) specialists. The list contains a selection of those that readily lend themselves to propagation and restoration planting.

Notable Plants

A number of plants that occur in the district are notable because of their unexpectedness, remnant status, cultural associations or representing extremes of distribution. They are listed along with ecosystem or habitat types and identified potential restoration.

Plant Me Instead

Many plants have been brought to North Marlborough from near and far and planted. They are mostly exotic species, but they include an increasing number of New Zealand natives from outside the region. Several have become weeds and others have the potential to do so. This list offers alternatives that are more ecologically suited to North Marlborough.





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PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH INLAND NORTH MARLBOROUGH

BOTANICAL NAME

TREES 5-20m+

Alectryon excelsus Aristotelia serrata Beilschmiedia tawa Carpodetus serratus Coprosma linariifolia Cordyline australis Cyathea dealbata Cyathea dealbata Cyathea smithii Dacrycarpus dacrydioides Dacryclium cupressinum Dicksonia squarrosa

KEY TO CHARTS ON FOLLOWING PAGES

Planting stage ratio	✓ Plant sparingly ✓✓ Plant commonly
Moisture preference	♦ Dry site ♦♦ Moist site ♦♦♦ Wet site
Sunlight preference	O Prefers full sunlight • Prefers filtered sunlight • Prefers total shade
Frost tenderness	✤ Frost tender ✤衆 Very frost tender
Bird food	Fr Fruit Fl Flowers H Honeydew N Nectar L Leaves
Riparian suitability	/es/No Coastland suitability Yes/No Wetland suitability Yes/No
Wetland situation	Wet: Wet sites Margin: Wetland edges/surrounds Est: Estuarine

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COMMON NAME	EARLY STAGE PLANTING	LATER STAGE PLANTING	MOISTURE PREFERENCE	SUNLIGHT PREFERENCE	FROST TENDERNESS	BIRD FOOD	RIPARIAN SUITABILITY	WETLAND SUITABILITY
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PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH INNER SOUNDS

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BOTANICAL NAME TREES 5-20m+ Alectryon excelsus Aristotelia serrata Beilschmiedia tawa Carpodetus serratus Coprosma linariifolia Cordyline australis Cordyline indivisa Corynocarpus laevigatus Cyathea cunninghamii Cvathea dealbata Cyathea medullaris Ćvathea smithii Dacrycarpus dacrydioides Dacrydium cupressinum Dicksonia squarrosa Dodonaea viscosa Elaeocarpus dentatus Elaeocarpus hookerianus Fuchsia excorticata Griselinia littoralis Griselinia lucida Hedycarya arborea Knightia excelsa Kunzea ericoides

COMMON NAME	EARLY STAGE PLANTING	LATER STAGE PLANTING	MOISTURE PREFERENCE	SUNLIGHT PREFERENCE	FROST TENDERNESS	BIRD FOOD	RIPARIAN SUITABILITY	COASTAL SUITABILITY	WETLAND SUITABILITY
titoki wineberry tawa putaputaweta, marbleleaf mikimiki, yellow wood ti kouka, cabbage tree toi, mountain cabbage tree karaka gully tree fern ponga, silver fern mamaku soft tree fern kahikatea, white pine rimu wheki akeake hinau pokaka kotukutuku, tree fuchsia papauma, broadleaf puka pigeonwood rewarewa, NZ honeysuckle kanuka	$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark $	$\langle \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \rangle \langle \cdot $			** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** *	Fr Fr Fr Fl,Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr F	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No No No No No No

Laurelia novae-zelandiae	pukatea		√	**-**	0-0			Yes	Yes	Yes
Leptospermum scoparium	manuka	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0		N	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lophomyrtus obcordata	rohutu	~	$\sqrt[4]{\sqrt{2}}$.	0-0	at at a	Fr	Yes	No	Yes
Macropiper excelsum	kawakawa	/	\checkmark	• •	0-0	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Melicope ternata	wharangi	1	$\sqrt[4]{\sqrt{2}}$	••	0-0	**	E	No	Yes	No
Melicytus ramiflorus	mahoe	✓ ✓	\checkmark	• •	0-0	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Metrosideros umbellata	southern rata	$\sqrt[4]{\sqrt{2}}$	\checkmark	• •	0-0	*	N	Yes	Yes	No
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	\checkmark	\checkmark	• -••	0-0	**	FI	Yes	Yes	No
Myrsine australis	mapou	~	\checkmark	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Myrsine salicina	toro	/	$\sqrt[4]{\sqrt{2}}$	• •	0-0		Fr	Yes	No	No
Nothofagus fusca	red beech	v	\checkmark	.	0-0		Н	Yes	No	No
Nothofagus menziesii	silver beech	v		• •	0-0			Yes	No	No
Nothofagus solandri var. solandri	black beech	v	\checkmark	••	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Nothofagus truncata	hard beech	1		• -••	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Olearia paniculata	akiraho	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• -••	0-0			Yes	Yes	No
Olearia rani	heketara		$\checkmark\checkmark$	• •	0-0		-	Yes	No	No
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikomako	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• •	0-0	.46.	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Phyllocladus trichomanoides	tanekaha	1	1	• •	0-0	*	-	Yes	Yes	No
Pittosporum eugenioides	tarata, lemonwood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• •	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pittosporum tenuifolium	kohuhu	$\checkmark\checkmark$	1	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Podocarpus hallii	mountain or thin-bark totara	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	No	No
Podocarpus totara	lowland totara	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Prumnopitys ferruginea	miro		√	• •	0-•		Fr	Yes	No	No
Prumnopitys taxifolia	matai		1	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pseudopanax arboreus	five-finger	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0	*	N <u>,</u> Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pseudopanax crassifolius	lancewood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Raukaua edgerleyi	raukawa		√	* *	0-0	举	Fr	Yes	No	No
Rhopalostylis sapida	nikau	V	$\checkmark\checkmark$	**-***	0-●	**	FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sophora microphylla	kowhai	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• -••	0		N,L	Yes	Yes	Yes
Streblus heterophyllus	turepo, small-leaved milk tree		√	.	0-0			Yes	No	No
Syzygium maire	swamp maire	√	√	**-***	0-0	举	N,Fr	No	No	Yes
Weinmannia racemosa	kamahi	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$		0-0		Ν	Yes	Yes	No
SMALL TREES 2-5m		,	/		~ •	بعادر بعادر				
Ascarina lucida	hutu	✓	v	• •	0-0	**		Yes	No	No
Brachyglottis repanda	rangiora	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-●	*		Yes	Yes	No

き PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH INNER SOUNDS BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	EARLY STAGE PLANTING	LATER STAGE PLANTING	MOISTURE PREFERENCE	SUNLIGHT PREFERENCE	FROST TENDERNESS	BIRD FOOD	RIPARIAN SUITABILITY	COASTAL SUITABILITY	WETLAND SUITABILITY
SMALL TREES 2-5m CONT. Coprosma areolata Coprosma crassifolia Coprosma grandiflora Coprosma lucida Coprosma ropinqua Coprosma robusta Cordyline banksii Dicksonia fibrosa Dracophyllum urvilleanum Hebe stricta Leucopogon fasciculatus Lophomyrtus bullata Melicope simplex Olearia aviceniifolia Pseudowintera axillaris Pseudowintera colorata	raurekau, kanono shining karamu mingimingi taupata karamu ti ngahere, forest cabbage tree wheki-ponga inaka neinei koromiko soft mingimingi ramarama poataniwha grey tree daisy lowland horopito horopito, pepperwood	$\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\$	$\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \lor \lor$			**	Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes No Yes No Yes No No No No No	Yes Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No No No No No No
SHRUBS 1-2m Alseuosmia pusilla Carmichaelia arborea Coprosma rhamnoides Gaultheria antipoda	horopito look-alike South Island broom scrub coprosma snowberry		\checkmark	66 6 6-66 6-66		*	Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes No	No No Yes No

Hebe stenophylla Helichrysum lanceolatum Leptecophylla juniperina Ozothamnus leptophyllus Plagianthus divaricatus Pomaderris phylicifolia Raukaua anomalus	koromiko niniao prickly mingimingi tauhinu saltmarsh ribbonwood		$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark\\ \checkmark$	6 6-66 6-66 6-66 6-66 6-66	○ ○-○ ○-○ ○-○ ○-●		Fr	Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes	Yes No Yes Yes No No	No No No Yes No No
GROUND COVERS Apodasmia similis Arthropodium cirratum Asplenium oblongifolium Astelia fragrans Blechnum novae-zelandiae Carex secta Carex virgata Chionochloa cheesemanii Cortaderia richardii Dianella nigra Libertia ixioides Microsorum pustulatum Phormium cookianum Phormium tenax Poa aff. cita	oioi, jointed rush rengarenga, renga lily shining spleenwort bush lily kiokio purei, tussock sedge pukio bush tussock South Island toetoe turutu, blueberry native iris hound's tongue fern wharariki, mountain flax harakeke, lowland flax coastal silver tussock		$ \begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark $			**	Fr Fr N	No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes No Yes No No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No Yes Yes No Yes No No No No Yes No
CLIMBERS <i>Clematis forsteri</i> <i>Clematis paniculata</i> <i>Freycinettia banksii</i> <i>Fuchsia perscandens</i> <i>Metrosideros diffusa</i> <i>Metrosideros fulgens</i> <i>Metrosideros perforata</i> <i>Muehlenbeckia complexa</i> <i>Parsonsia heterophylla</i> <i>Passiflora tetrandra</i> <i>Ripogonum scandens</i>	clematis puawananga, bush clematis kiekie climbing fuchsia white rata vine winter rata, scarlet rata vine lowland rata vine pohuehue, wiggy-wig NZ jasmine NZ passionfruit supplejack	√ √	< < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < < <			* * * *	FI,Fr N,Fr N N Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes No No No No Yes

PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH OUTER SOUNDS

BOTANICAL NAME TREES 5-20m+

Alectryon excelsus Aristotelia serrata Beilschmiedia tawa Carpodetus serratus Cordyline australis Cordyline indivisa Corynocarpus laevigatus Cyathea cunninghamii Ćvathea dealbata Cyathea medullaris Óacrycarpus dacrydioides Dacrydium cupressinum Dicksonia squarrosa Dodonaea viscosa Dysoxylum spectabile Elaeocarpus dentatus Entelea arborescens Fuchsia excorticata Griselinia littoralis Griselinia lucida Hedycarya arborea Knightia excelsa Kunzea ericoides Laurelia novae-zelandiae

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titoki wineberry tawa putaputaweta, marbleleaf ti kouka, cabbage tree toi, mountain cabbage tree karaka gully tree fern ponga, silver fern mamaku kahikatea, white pine rimu wheki akeake kohekohe hinau whau, NZ cork tree kotukutuku, tree fuchsia papauma, broadleaf puka pigeonwood rewarewa, NZ honeysuckle kanuka pukatea	$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark $	$ \begin{array}{c} \checkmark \checkmark$			*****	Fr Fr Fr,Fr FI,Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr Fr N N	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No No Yes No No Yes No No No No No Yes No No Yes Yes Yes

Leptospermum scoparium	manuka	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$		0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes
Macropiper excelsum	kawakawa		$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Melicope ternata	wharangi	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0	**		No	Yes	No
Melicytus ramiflorus	mahoe	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Metrosideros umbellata	southern rata	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0	举	Ν	Yes	Yes	No
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0	**	FI	Yes	Yes	No
Myrsine australis	mapou	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Nothofagus solandri var. solandri	black beech	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Nothofagus truncata	hard beech	√	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Olearia paniculata	akiraho	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0			Yes	Yes	No
Olearia rani	heketara		$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●			Yes	No	No
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikomako	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pittosporum eugenioides	tarata, lemonwood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pittosporum tenuifolium	kohuhu	$\checkmark\checkmark$	√	\$-\$\$	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Podocarpus totara	lowland totara	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Prumnopitys ferruginea	miro _		1	••	0-0		Fr	Yes	No	No
Prumnopitys taxifolia	matai		√	• •	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pseudopanax arboreus	five-finger	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	••	0-0	*	N <u>,</u> Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pseudopanax crassifolius	lancewood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pseudopanax ferox	fierce lancewood	\checkmark	v	• •	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Raukaua edgerleyi	raukawa		√	• •	0-0	*	Fr	Yes	No	No
Rhopalostylis sapida	nikau	v	$\checkmark\checkmark$	**-**	0-0	**	FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Streblus banksii	turepo, large-leaved milk tree	v	1	••	0-0	*		Yes	Yes	No
Weinmannia racemosa	kamahi	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Ν	Yes	Yes	No
SMALL TREES 2-5m										
Brachyglottis repanda	rangiora	\checkmark	\checkmark		0-●	桊		Yes	Yes	No
Coprosma crassifolia	Tangiora		· ~	4-44	0-0	ላቷኦ	Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coprosma grandiflora	raurekau, kanono	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	, ,		0-0	桊	Fr	Yes	No	No
Coprosma lucida	shining karamu	11	√		0-0	··*·.	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Coprosma propingua	mingimingi	11	✓	4-444	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coprosma repens	taupata	11	✓	A-AA	0-0	**	Fr	No	Yes	No
Coprosma repens Coprosma robusta	karamu	\checkmark	✓	4-44	0-0	.44.	Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cordvline banksii	ti ngahere, forest cabbage tree	✓	√		Ŏ- Ŏ		FI,Fr	Yes	No	Yes
Dicksonia fibrosa	wheki-ponga	1	✓		0-0		11,11	Yes	No	Yes
Dracophyllum filifolium	inaka	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0			Yes	No	No
2. acephynam mionam										

PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARI BOROUGH **OUTER SOUNDS**

BOTANICAL NAME SMALL TREES 2-5m CONT.

Dracophyllum urvilleanum Hebe parviflora Hebe stricta Leucopogon fasciculatus Lophomyrtus bullata Melicope simplex Olearia aviceniifolia Pseudowintera axillaris Pseudowintera colorata Sophora molloyi

SHRUBS 1-2m

Carmichaelia odorata Coprosma rhamnoides Gaultheria antipoda Hebe elliptica Hebe stenophylla Hebe urvilleana Helichrysum lanceolatum Leptecophylla juniperina Melicytus crassifolius Olearia solandri Ozothamnus leptophyllus Pimelea gnidia

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neinei tree hebe, koromiko koromiko soft mingimingi ramarama poataniwha grey tree daisy lowland horopito horopito, pepperwood Cook Strait kowhai				- • • - • •	*	Fr Fr Fr N,L	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No	No Yes No No No Yes No Yes	No Yes Yes Yes No No No No
fragrant broom scrub coprosma snowberry southern coastal hebe/koromiko koromiko D'Urville Island hebe/koromiko niniao prickly mingimingi Cook Strait porcupine shrub coastal shrub daisy tauhinu native shrub daphne	$ \begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark $	$ \begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark $				Fr Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes No	Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes No No No No Yes No No

gifolia divaricatus phylicifolia iomalus	native shrub daphne saltmarsh ribbonwood		\checkmark	6-66 66-66 6-66 66	○- ○ ○- ○ ○- ○		Fr	Yes No Yes Yes	Yes Yes No No	Yes No No
COVERS quarrosa similis im cirratum oblongifolium trans tovae-zelandiae ta a cheesemanii richardii gra pra bides n pustulatum cookianum enax	Cook Strait speargrass oioi, jointed rush rengarenga, renga lily shining spleenwort bush lily kiokio purei, tussock sedge pukio bush tussock South Island toetoe turutu, blueberry soft cutty grass native iris hound's tongue fern wharariki, mountain flax harakeke, lowland flax coastal silver tussock		$ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\$			*	Fr Fr N	No No Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes No No No Yes No Yes No Yes Yes	No Yes No Yes Yes No No No No No Yes
rsteri aniculata banksii scandens os diffusa os fulgens os perforata ckia complexa eterophylla etrandra scandens	clematis puawananga, bush clematis kiekie climbing fuchsia white rata vine winter rata, scarlet rata vine lowland rata vine pohuehue, wiggy-wig NZ jasmine NZ passionfruit supplejack	$\checkmark \checkmark$	$ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\$	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0	* * * *	FI,Fr N,Fr N N Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No No Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes

Pimelea longifolia Plagianthus divaricatus Pomaderris phylicifolia Raukaua anomalus

GROUND COVERS

Aciphylla squ Apodasmia si Arthropodium Asplenium ob Astelia fragra Blechnum nov Carex secta Carex virgata Chionochloa Cortaderia rid Dianella nigr Gahnia lacer Libertia ixioio Microsorum Phormium co Phormium ter Poa aff. cita

CLIMBERS

Clematis forsteri Clematis paniculata Freycinettia banksii Fuchsia perscandens Metrosideros diffusa Metrosideros fulgens Metrosideros perforata Muehlenbeckia complexa Parsonsia heterophylla Passiflora tetrandra Ripogonum scandens

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PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH COASTAL SITES

BOTANICAL NAME TREES 5-20m+

Alectryon excelsus Cordyline australis Corynocarpus laevigatus Cyathea dealbata Cyathea medullaris Dacrycarpus dacrydioides Dacrydium cupressinum Dicksonia squarrosa Dodonaea viscosa Dysoxylum spectabile Elaeocarpus dentatus Entelea arborescens Griselinia littoralis Griselinia lucida Hedycarya arborea Knightia excelsa Kunzea ericoides Laurelia novae-zelandiae Leptospermum scoparium

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titoki		\checkmark	**	ο	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
ti kouka, cabbage tree	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
karaka		\checkmark	* *	0-0	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
ponga, silver fern	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-●	*		Yes	Yes	No
mamaku	\checkmark		* *	0-●	*		Yes	Yes	Yes
kahikatea, white pine	\checkmark	\checkmark	**	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
rimu		\checkmark	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
wheki	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-●			Yes	Yes	Yes
akeake	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
kohekohe		$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
hinau	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
whau, NZ cork tree		\checkmark	* *	0-0	**		No	Yes	No
papauma, broadleaf	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-●	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
puka	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-●	**	Fr	No	Yes	No
pigeonwood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		FI,L	Yes	Yes	No
rewarewa, NZ honeysuckle	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0	*	Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes
kanuka	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes
pukatea		\checkmark	**-**	0-0	**		Yes	Yes	Yes
manuka	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	*-**	0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes

	Lauraliana		$\checkmark\checkmark$				г.	Mara	Mara	NL.
Macropiper excelsum	kawakawa	\checkmark	✓ ✓ ✓	••	0-●	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Melicope ternata	wharangi	✓ ✓	√ √	••	0-0	**	-	No	Yes	No
Melicytus ramiflorus	mahoe			••	0-●	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Metrosideros umbellata	southern rata	√	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0	*	N	Yes	Yes	No
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0	**	FI	Yes	Yes	No
Myrsine australis	mapou	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Nothofagus solandri var. solandri	black beech	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Nothofagus truncata	hard beech	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0-0		Н	Yes	Yes	No
Olearia paniculata	akiraho	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	*-*	0-0			Yes	Yes	No
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikomako	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pittosporum eugenioides	tarata, lemonwood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pittosporum tenuifolium	kohuhu	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	\$-\$\$	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Podocarpus totara	lowland totara	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• -••	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Prumnopitys taxifolia	matai		\checkmark	* *	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Pseudopanax arboreus	five-finger	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0	*	N,Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pseudopanax crassifolius	lancewood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$		0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pseudopanax ferox	fierce lancewood	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Rhopalostylis sapida	nikau	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	**-**	0-●	**	FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sophora microphylla	kowhai	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0		N,L	Yes	Yes	Yes
Streblus banksii	turepo, large-leaved milk tree	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0	*		No	Yes	No
Weinmannia racemosa	kamahi	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-0		Ν	Yes	Yes	No
SMALL TREES 2-5m										
Brachyglottis repanda	rangiora	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-●	*		Yes	Yes	No
Coprosma crassifolia	Ŭ	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark		0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
, Coprosma propinqua	mingimingi	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark		0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Coprosma repens	taupata	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark		0-0	**	Fr	No	Yes	No
Coprosma robusta	karamu	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark		0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
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PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARI BOROUGH **COASTAL SITES**

BOTANICAL NAME SMALL TREES 2-5m CONT.

Dicksonia fibrosa Dracophyllum filifolium Hebe parviflora Hebe stricta Olearia aviceniifolia Sophora molloyi

SHRUBS 1-2m

Carmichaelia odorata Coprosma rhamnoides Hebe elliptica Hebe speciosa Hebe stenophylla Leptecophylla juniperina Melicytus crassifolius Melicytus aff. obovatus Olearia solandri Ozothamnus leptophyllus Pimelea gnidia

COMMON NAME	EARLY STAGE PLANTING	LATER STAGE PLANTING	MOISTURE PREFERENCE	SUNLIGHT PREFERENCE	FROST TENDERNESS	BIRD FOOD	RIPARIAN SUITABILITY	COASTAL SUITABILITY	WETLAND SUITABILITY
wheki-ponga inaka tree hebe, koromiko koromiko grey tree daisy Cook Strait kowhai		$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \\ \checkmark \end{array}$	66 66 66 66 66	○-● ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0 ○-0		N,L	Yes Yes Yes Yes No	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No Yes No No
fragrant broom scrub coprosma southern coastal hebe/koromiko naupuka/titirangi koromiko prickly mingimingi Cook Strait porcupine shrub coastal shrub daisy tauhinu native shrub daphne		 ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ 	• •	○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○	*	Fr Fr Fr Fr	Yes No No Yes No No Yes Yes No	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes No No No No Yes No No

Pimelea longifolia Plagianthus divaricatus	native shrub daphne saltmarsh ribbonwood	\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark	√ √	\$-\$\$ \$\$-\$\$\$	0-0 0-0		Fr	No No	Yes Yes	No Yes
GROUND COVERS										
Aciphylla squarrosa	Cook Strait speargrass	\checkmark	\checkmark		0	*		No	Yes	No
Apodasmia similis	oioi, jointed rush	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	**-**	0-0			No	Yes	Yes
Arthropodium cirratum	rengarenga, renga lily	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark		0-0	**		No	Yes	No
Asplenium oblongifolium	shining spleenwort		\checkmark	* *	0-●			Yes	Yes	No
Cortaderia richardii	South Island toetoe	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	** - **	0			Yes	Yes	Yes
Euphorbia glauca	shore milkweed	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0			No	Yes	No
Dianella nigra	turutu, blueberry	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Ficinia spiralis	pingao	\checkmark	\checkmark	٠	0			No	Yes	No
Libertia ixioides	native iris	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-0			Yes	Yes	No
Phormium cookianum	wharariki, mountain flax	$\checkmark\checkmark$			0		Ν	Yes	Yes	No
Phormium tenax	harakeke, lowland flax	$\checkmark\checkmark$		**-**	0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes
Poa aff. cita	coastal silver tussock	$\checkmark\checkmark$			0			No	Yes	No
Raoulia aff. hookeri	coastal mat daisy	\checkmark	\checkmark	٠	0			No	Yes	No
Tetragonia implexicoma	NZ spinach	\checkmark	\checkmark	٠	0-0		Fr	No	Yes	No
CLIMBERS										
Clematis forsteri	clematis		\checkmark	.	0-0			Yes	Yes	Yes
Freycinettia banksii	kiekie		\checkmark	.	0-0	*	FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Metrosideros perforata	lowland rata vine		\checkmark	.	0-0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Yes
Muehlenbeckia complexa	pohuehue, wiggy-wig	$\checkmark\checkmark$			0		Fr	Yes	Yes	No
Parsonsia heterophylla	NZ jasmine		\checkmark		0			Yes	Yes	Yes
Passiflora tetrandra	NZ passionfruit		\checkmark	* *	0-0	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ripogonum scandens	supplejack		\checkmark	**-**	0-●	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	Yes

PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH WETLAND SITES

BOTANICAL NAME
TREES 5-20m+
Cordyline australis
Cyathea medullaris
Dacrycarpus dacrydioides
Dicksonia squarrosa
Elaeocarpus hookerianus
Fuchsia excorticata
Griselinia littoralis
Hoheria angustifolia
Kunzea ericoides
Laurelia novae-zelandiae
Leptospermum scoparium
Lophomyrtus obcordata
Olearia rani
Pennantia corymbosa
Plagianthus regius
Pseudopanax arboreus
Pseudopanax crassifolius
Rhopalostylis sapida
Sophora microphylla

COMMON NAME	EARLY STAGE PLANTING	LATER STAGE PLANTING	MOISTURE PREFERENCE	SUNLIGHT PREFERENCE	FROST TENDERNESS	BIRD FOOD	RIPARIAN SUITABILITY	COASTAL SUITABILITY	WETLAND SITUATION
ti kouka, cabbage tree	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$		0-0		FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
mamaku	\checkmark		*	0-●	*		Yes	Yes	Margin
kahikatea, white pine	\checkmark	\checkmark	**	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
wheki	\checkmark	\checkmark	* *	0-●			Yes	Yes	Margin
pokaka		\checkmark	.	0-●	*	N,Fr	Yes	No	Margin
kotukutuku, tree fuchsia	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●		Fr	Yes	No	Margin
papauma, broadleaf	\checkmark	\checkmark	.	0-●	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
houhere, narrow-leaved lacebark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		FI,L	Yes	No	Margin
kanuka	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Margin
pukatea		\checkmark	** - **	0-0			Yes	Yes	Wet
manuka	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\$-\$\$	0		Ν	Yes	Yes	Margin
rohutu	\checkmark	~	.	0-0		Fr	Yes	No	Margin
heketara		$\checkmark\checkmark$.	0-●			Yes	No	Margin
kaikomako	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
manatu, lowland ribbonwood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0		L	Yes	No	Margin
five-finger	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	* *	0-0	*	N,Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
lancewood	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	•-••	0-0		Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
nikau	√	$\checkmark\checkmark$	**-**	0-●	**	FI,Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
kowhai	$\checkmark\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$	• -••	0		N,L	Yes	Yes	Margin

Streblus heterophyllus
Syzygium maire

SMALL TREES 2-5m

Coprosma areolata Coprosma crassifolia Coprosma propinqua Coprosma robusta Cordyline banksii Dicksonia fibrosa Hebe stricta Leucopogon fasciculatus Lophomyrtus bullata Melicope simplex

SHRUBS 1-2m

Coprosma rhamnoides Olearia solandri Plagianthus divaricatus

GROUND COVERS

Apodasmia similis Astelia fragrans Blechnum minus Blechnum novae-zelandiae Carex comans Carex flagellifera Carex secta

turepo, small-leaved milk tree swamp maire	✓	√ √	**	○- 0 ○- 0	*	N,Fr	Yes No	No No	Margin Wet
mingimingi karamu ti ngahere, forest cabbage tree wheki-ponga koromiko soft mingimingi ramarama poataniwha	 ✓ ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓			*	Fr Fr Fr Fl,Fr Fr Fr	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes No Yes No No No	Margin Margin Wet Margin Margin Margin Margin Margin Margin
scrub coprosma coastal shrub daisy saltmarsh ribbonwood	4 4 4 4 4	√ √	6-66 6-66 66-666	○-● ○ ○-●		Fr	Yes Yes No	Yes Yes Yes	Margin Margin Est
oioi, jointed rush bush lily swamp kiokio kiokio maurea bootlace sedge purei, tussock sedge	 √√ √ √ √ √√ 		\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	○- ○ ○- ○ ○- ○ ○- ○ ○- ○ ○- ○		Fr	No Yes No Yes Yes Yes No	Yes No No No No No	Est Margin Wet Margin Margin Margin Wet

PLANTING LISTS FOR NORTH MARLBOROUGH **WETLAND SITES**

BOTANICAL NAME GROUND COVERS CONT.

Carex virgata Chionochloa rubra Cortaderia richardii Phormium tenax

CLIMBERS

Clematis forsteri Clematis paniculata Fuchsia perscandens Metrosideros diffusa Metrosideros fulgens Metrosideros perforata Parsonsia heterophylla Passiflora tetrandra Ripogonum scandens

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pukio red tussock	$\begin{array}{c} \checkmark \checkmark \\ \checkmark \checkmark \end{array}$	√ √	*** **-***	O- ● ○			No Yes	No No	Wet Margin
South Island toetoe harakeke, lowland flax	$\checkmark \checkmark$	~	**-*** **-***	0		Ν	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Wet Wet/Est
clematis		~	**	0-0			Yes	Yes	Margin
puawananga, bush clematis		\checkmark	**	0-0	*		Yes	No	Margin
climbing fuchsia		\checkmark	* *	0-0	*	N,Fr	Yes	No	Margin
white rata vine		v	••	0-0		N	Yes	No	Margin
winter rata, scarlet rata vine lowland rata vine		\checkmark	* *	0-0 0-0		N N	Yes Yes	No Yes	Margin
NZ jasmine		v √	A-AA	0-0		IN	Yes	Yes	Margin Margin
NZ passionfruit		√ 	••	0-0	**	Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin
supplejack		~	** - **	0-•	*	Fr	Yes	Yes	Margin

THREATENED PLANTS OF NORTH MARLBOROUGH

The following is a tabulation of threatened plants that occur in the district, with threat categories, ecosystem or habitat types and identified potential restoration places. Not all of the plants lend themselves to restoration planting (e.g. Mt Stokes daisy), but may be restored by other forms of management.

PLANT NAME(S)	THREAT CATEGORY	ECOSYSTEM / HABITAT	POTENTIAL RESTORATION PLACES & NOTES
Pitpat Pittosporum patulum	Nationally Critical	Upland beech forest and shrubland	Rai and Pelorus rivers and tributaries; North Bank valleys.
NZ skullcap <i>Scutellaria novae-zelandiae</i>	Nationally Critical	Inland valley floor forest	Rai and Pelorus rivers and tributaries; North Bank valleys.
Pygmy button daisy <i>Leptinella nana</i>	Nationally Endangered	River banks	Rai and Pelorus rivers and tributaries.
Hector's tree daisy <i>Olearia hectorii</i>	Nationally Endangered	River banks	Rai and Pelorus rivers and tributaries. Extinct in wild in North Marlborough; recently planted at Onamalutu.
Napuka/Titirangi <i>Hebe speciosa</i>	Nationally Vulnerable	Exposed coastal scarp	Outer and Inner Sounds. Introduced to Sounds and associated with former Maori settlement (Titirangi-Waitui).
Native daphne <i>Pimelea tomentosa</i>	Nationally Vulnerable	Dry, open forest and shrubland, favours ridges	Dry, open sites, rocky places. Now very rare.
Carex litorosa	Declining	Estuary margins	Estuary margins and intertidal vegetation.
Shore milkweed Euphorbia glauca	Declining	Foredunes, cliffs and gravel beaches	Dunes and gravel beaches. Only remains on D'Urville Island.
Coastal mat daisy <i>Raoulia aff. hookeri</i>	Declining	Coastal cliffs and dunes	Dunes (D'Urville Island and Port Underwood).

THREATENED PLANTS OF NORTH MARLBOROUGH CONT.

PLANT NAME(S)	THREAT CATEGORY	ECOSYSTEM / HABITAT	POTENTIAL RESTORATION PLACES & NOTES
Native verbena Teucridium parvifolium	Declining	River banks and bush edges	Rai and Pelorus rivers and tributaries; North Bank valleys.
Red mistletoe, Pikirangi <i>Peraxilla tetrapetala</i>	Declining	Beech forest and trees (black, red)	Beech forest and edges. Need to control possums. Sow seeds on beech saplings.
Scarlet mistletoe, Pirita Peraxilla colensoi	Declining	Beech forest amd trees (silver)	Beech forest and edges. Need to control possums. Sow seeds on beech saplings.
White mistletoe, Tupia <i>Tupeia antarctica</i>	Declining	Regenerating bush, shrubland & trees	Regenerating vegetation. Need to control possums. Sow seeds on saplings; favours five-finger and putaputaweta.
Yellow mistletoe <i>Alepis flavida</i>	Declining	Beech forest and trees (black, red)	Beech forest and edges. Need to control possums. Sow seeds on beech saplings.
Native verbena <i>Teucridium parvifolium</i>	Declining	River banks and bush edges	Valley flats, river banks and shrubland; all catchments.
Cook Strait porcupine shrub <i>Melicytus crassifolius</i>	Declining	Coastal cliffs and rock outcrops	Outer Sounds. Cook Strait endemic.
Gossamer grass Anemanthele lessoniana	Declining	Lowland forest and edges; scrub; cliffs, screes and outcrops	Almost anywhere. Only remains on d'Urville Island, confined to gentle coastal landforms.
Melicytus aff. obovatus	Declining	Exposed coastal cliffs and scarps	Outer Sounds. Highly vulnerable to browsing.
Pingao Desmoschoenus spiralis	Relict	Foredunes	Dunes (D'Urville Island, Titirangi, Port Underwood). Extinct in N. Marlborough.

e-leaved milk tree olus banksii	Relict	Forest/shrublands of exposed coasts and islands	Outer Sounds (also Inner). Easily grown but vulnerable to browsing.
tokes daisy isia macmahonii var. nahonii	Naturally Uncommon	Shaded rock ledges on mountain top	Endemic to Mt Stokes summit (conservation land) and stable there.
ei ophyllum urvilleanum	Naturally Uncommon	Beech forest and shrubland	Dry, open forest on coast and ridges.
mistletoe nalsella salicornioides	Naturally Uncommon	Manuka and kanuka	Scrub, low forest and individual trees. Try sowing seeds on young twigs (hasn't been successfully done yet).
e lancewood <i>dopanax ferox</i>	Naturally Uncommon	Exposed coastal scarps; river banks; rock outcrops	Outer Sounds (cliffs, headlands, etc); Rai, Pelorus valleys and tributaries; North Bank valleys.
st forget-me-not sotis spathulata	Naturally Uncommon	Rock overhangs; forest floor; scrub; riverbanks; terraces	Rai, Pelorus valleys and tributaries; North Bank valleys.
Strait kowhai ora molloyi	Naturally Uncommon	Exposed coastal cliffs and scarps	Outer Sounds.
rigidula	Naturally Uncommon	Riparian bluffs and river beds; subalpine scrub	Riparian sites. Mainly occurs in the Pelorus Valley.

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Coral m *Korthal*

Fierce la *Pseudo*

Forest f *Myosot*

Cook St *Sophora*

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NOTABLE PLANTS OF NORTH MARLBOROUGH

The following is a tabulation of plants that occur in the district that are notable because of their unexpectedness, remnant status, cultural associations or representing extremes of distribution. They are listed along with ecosystem or habitat types and identified potential restoration.

PLANT NAME(S)	SIGNIFICANCE	ECOSYSTEM / HABITAT	POTENTIAL RESTORATION PLACES & NOTES
Black maire <i>Nestegis cunninghamii</i>	Distribution anomaly	Lowland valley forest and treeland	Lowland valleys not subject to heavy frost. Single tree known at Linkwater only.
Cabbage tree Cordyline australis	Cultural associations	Lowlands, wetlands, often archaeological sites	Wetlands, forest edges, alluvial sites.
Climbing fuchsia Fuchsia perscandens	Uncommon	Riparian, coastal screes	Riparian sites, lowland rock outcrops.
Cook Strait speargrass Aciphylla squarrosa	Endemic form	Very exposed coasts and rocks	Salt turf areas retired from stock influence.
Coprosma rubra	Uncommon, localised	Riparian and alluvial sites	Riparian sites and alluvial forest edges.
Dwarf broom <i>Carmichaelia corrugata</i>	Distribution anomaly	Stony open ground	Wairau Valley. Manuka Island is the only known Marlborough locality.
Dwarf mistletoe <i>Korthalsella lindsayi</i>	Uncommon	Riparian vegetation and alluvial forest edges	Not really amenable to restoration planting; could try sowing seeds on shrub twigs.
Green mistletoe <i>lleostylus micranthus</i>	Uncommon	Riparian and estuarine shrubland	Sow seeds on potential hosts; benefits from possum control.
Kahikatea Dacrycarpus dacrydioides	Nearly logged out	Lowland alluvial and gully sites	Lowland wetland margins and alluvial sites.

Karaka Corynocarpus laevigatus	Cultural associations	Archaeological sites; coastal forest	Coastal forest edges. Brought to the region from Northland by Maori in the past and cultivated for food (fruit); fruit toxic unless properly cooked.
Kowhai Sophora microphylla	Uncommon, localised, possibly also cultural	Estuary margins; riparian in lower Pelorus; a few archaeological sites	Enigmatic in the Sounds, possibly planted by former Maori settlers. Could be planted in riparian sites, wetland margins and forest edges.
Lowland ribbonwood Plagianthus regius	Uncommon	Alluvial forest, usually riparian	Alluvial sites (forest edges, riparian strips and wetland margins).
Matai Prumnopitys taxifolia	Largely logged out	Alluvial forest, lowland gullies and (rare) rear dunes	Alluvial sites and coastal flats.
Mountain cabbage tree Cordyline indivisa	Uncommon, localised	Cloud forest (uplands)	Upland sites in the Sounds.
Narrow-leaved lacebark <i>Hoheria angustifolia</i>	Uncommon	Alluvial forest, usually riparian	Alluvial sites (forest edges, riparian strips and wetland margins).
Native daphne <i>Pimelea gnidia</i>	Localised	Shrubland, rock outcrops	Dry, rocky sites. Uncommon.
Pokaka Elaeocarpus hookerianus	Uncommon in lowlands	Alluvial forest	Alluvial sites. Uncommon in lowlands, more common at higher altitudes.
Pygmy mistletoe <i>Korthalsella clavata</i>	Very uncommon	Estuarine shrubland	Known from very few sites. Not really amenable to restoration planting; could try sowing seeds on shrub twigs.
Rengarenga Arthropodium cirratum	Cultural associations	Archaeological site proximity, usually on steep rocky shores out of reach of stock and feral animals	Brought to the region from Northland by Maori in the past and cultivated for food and medicinal use. Indicative of former gardening activity. Plant near the shore, using material from the nearest wild source; protect from stock and feral animals.

NOTABLE PLANTS OF NORTH MARLBOROUGH CONT.

PLANT NAME(S)	THREAT CATEGORY	ECOSYSTEM / HABITAT	POTENTIAL RESTORATION PLACES & NOTES
Rewarewa Knightia excelsa	Limited distribution	Lowland forest and regenerating vegetation	Scattered in a strip through the Sounds from D'Urville Island to Port Underwood. On the increase and likely to be a new arrival from the North Island within the last 150 years.
Rimu <i>Dacrydium cupressinum</i>	Largely logged out	Lowland and montane forest	Forest edges and regenerating vegetation.
Sand coprosma <i>Coprosma acerosa</i>	Uncommon, localised	Sand dunes and blown sand	Dunes and dry coastal sites. Rare in North Marlborough, more common nationally.
Scented broom <i>Carmichaelia odorata</i>	Uncommon	Coastal and riparian sites	Lowland, coastal and riparian sites. Uncommon in Marlborough.
Scented shrub daisy <i>Olearia odorata</i>	Very uncommon	Inland valley floor	Inland valley sites. In North Marlborough known only from Pine Valley.
Shore koromiko <i>Hebe elliptica</i>	Uncommon, localised	Vegetation of rocky shore	Rocky shore vegetation. In North Marlborough known only from western d'Urville Island.
Small-leaved mahoe <i>Melicytus micranthus</i>	Uncommon, localised	Alluvial forest	Alluvial sites (forest edges, riparian strips).
Swamp maire <i>Syzigium maire</i>	Uncommon, localised	Lowland wetlands, mostly coastal	Lowland wetlands. Rare in the South Island (northern SI only). Possibly associated with former Maori settlement sites.
Southern rata <i>Metrosideros umbellata</i>	Localised, showy when in flower	Sheltered rocky shores; upland/cloud forest (usually beech)	Forest edges and regenerating vegetation; sheltered coastal sites. Vulnerable to possum browsing and now rare at the shore.

Tanekaha Phyllocladus trichomanoides

Tawhirikaro *Pittosporum cornifolium*

Totara *Podocarpus totara*

Tree hebe *Hebe parviflora*

Wharangi *Melicope ternata*

Whau Entelea arborescens

White maire *Nestegis lanceolata*

anoides	Uncommon, near S limit	Lowland forest and regenerating vegetation	Lowland sheltered sites (forest edges, regenerating vegetation). Very localised in Sounds.
um	Uncommon	Lowland forest and rock outcrops	Lowland and coastal forest edges and regenerating vegetation.
	Logged almost to extinction	Lowland forest, especially alluvial and riparian	Lowland forest, forest edges and regenerating vegetation, and coastal sites behind beaches.
	Localised occurrence	Exposed coastal vegetation	Lowland and coastal sites in eastern Sounds. On Arapawa Island and Cape Jackson.
	Not very common	Exposed coastal forest	Outer Sounds. Coastal forest edges, shore sites, regenerating vegetation.
	Cultural associations	Archaeological sites; coastal forest	Coastal forest. In North Marlborough, known only from D'Urville Island, associated with former Maori settlement.
	Localised, uncommon	Lowland forest and treeland	Inner Sounds, lowland valleys. Known only from a few sites between Havelock and Pukaka Valley.

PLANT ME INSTEAD NORTH MARLBOROUGH

List of local native plants to use in place of a selection of imported problem plants, North Marlborough

IMPORTED PLANT	ORIGIN	PROBLEM	LOCAL NATIVE PLANT(S) TO USE INSTEAD
Exotic conifers: pines, firs, larches, spruces, cypresses, macrocarpa, cedars,etc. Pinus, Abies, Pseudotsuga, Larix, Picea, Cupressus, Chamaecyparis, Thuja, etc.	Northern hemisphere	Spread onto scarps & outcrops and into regenerating native vegetation via wind-blown seeds and becoming dominant; pines especially	Native conifers: rimu, totara, matai, miro, kahikatea Dacrydium cupressinum, Podocarpus totara, Prumnopitys taxifolia, P. ferruginea, Dacrycarpus dacrydioides
Wattles, Brush wattle Acacia spp, Paraserianthes lophantha	Australia	Rapid-growing and spread via long-lived seeds into open sites, including coastal scarps and scrub	Kowhai <i>Sophora microphylla</i> Cook Strait kowhai <i>Sophora molloyi</i>
Hakea <i>Hakea spp.</i>	Australia	Hardy, rapid-growing & fire-tolerant; invasive in open sites, scrub and bracken	Rewarewa <i>Knightia excelsa</i> Five-finger <i>Pseudopanax arboreus</i>
Willows <i>Salix spp.</i>	Europe, West Asia, North Africa	Aggressive and invasive in wetlands and riparian zones, via seeds or branch fragments	Narrow-leaved lacebark <i>Hoheria angustifolia</i> Lowland ribbonwood <i>Plagianthus regius</i>
Poplars <i>Populus spp.</i>	Europe, China, North America	Spread via seeds or suckers in open sites	Narrow-leaved lacebark <i>Hoheria angustifolia</i> Lowland ribbonwood <i>Plagianthus regius</i>

Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	Europe	Spreads aggressively via winged seeds onto open sites, scrub, bracken and secondary native bush	Narrow-leaved lacebark <i>Hoheria angustifolia</i> Lowland ribbonwood <i>Plagianthus regius</i>
Fan palm, Chinese windmill palm <i>Trachycarpus fortunei</i>	Asia (Central China to Burma)	Spreads into native forest via bird-borne seeds	Nikau <i>Rhopalostylis sapida</i> Tree ferns <i>Cyathea & Dicksonia spp</i> .
Buddleia <i>Buddleja davidii</i>	China	Spreads rapidly by fine seeds dispersed by wind and water into open sites, especially stream gravels and banks	Koromiko <i>Hebe stricta, H. parviflora</i>
Cotoneaster <i>Cotoneaster spp.</i>	China, Himalayas, Northern temperate Old World regions	Spread into open sites (scarps, outcrops, etc) via bird-borne seeds	Korokio <i>Corokia cotoneaster</i> Grey tree daisy <i>Olearia avicenniifolia</i> Karamu, Shining karamu <i>Coprosma robusta, C. lucida</i>
Exotic brooms <i>Cytisus, Spartium, Genista etc.</i>	Europe, South Africa	Spread via long-lived seeds into open sites including scrub	Native brooms <i>Carmichaelia spp.</i>
Agapanthus <i>Agapanthus praecox</i>	South Africa	Almost indestructible, spreads via wind-blown seeds into open sites, including coastal scarps	Wharariki, Coastal flax Phormium cookianum Rengarenga, Renga lily Arthropodium cirratum Kakaha Astelia fragrans Turutu, blueberry Dianella nigra

PLANT ME INSTEAD NORTH MARLBOROUGH CONT.

IMPORTED PLANT	ORIGIN	PROBLEM	LOCAL NATIVE PLANT(S) TO USE INSTEAD
Marram grass Ammophila arenaria	Europe, North Africa	Out-competes native sand- binding plants on dunes and prevents sand ebb and flow	Pingao, Golden sand sedge Ficinia spiralis Spinifex Spinifex sericeus Sand tussock Poa billardieri
Pampas grass Cortaderia jubata, C. selloana	South America	Spreads via wind-borne seeds into open sites including coastal scarps, dunes and stream banks	Toetoe <i>Cortaderia richardi</i> Harakeke, Lowland flax <i>Phormium tenax</i>
Chilean rhubarb <i>Gunnera tinctoria,</i>	South America (Andes)	Produces massive amounts of seeds spread by birds and water; invasive and domineering with wide tolerance range of site conditions	Kiokio Blechnum novae-zelandiae Wharariki, Coastal flax Phormium cookianum Rengarenga, Renga lily Arthropodium cirratum Kakaha Astelia fragrans
Mexican daisy <i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i>	Mexico	Vigorous invader of open sites via prolific small wind-borne seeds	Everlasting daisy, Hell's bells <i>Anaphaloides bellidioides</i> Mountain and lowland daisies <i>Celmisia spp.</i>
Banana passionfruit <i>Passiflora spp.</i>	South America	Rampant smothering vine with appetising fruit containing seeds distributed by birds	NZ passionfruit Passiflora tetrandra Supplejack Ripogonum scandens Puawananga, Bush clematis Clematis paniculata

lvy He	y edera helix	Eurasia	Vigorous vine that forms smothering ground cover and climbs trees; seeds spread by birds	NZ passionfruit <i>Passiflora tetrandra</i> Supplejack <i>Ripogonum scandens</i> Puawananga, Bush clematis <i>Clematis paniculata</i>
Ja Lo	apanese honeysuckle <i>nicera japonica</i>	East Asia	Rampant smothering vine with small fruit containing seeds distributed by birds	NZ passionfruit <i>Passiflora tetrandra</i> NZ jasmine <i>Parsonsia heterophylla</i> Puawananga, Bush clematis <i>Clematis paniculata</i>
	aro ittosporum crassifolium	Northern North Island, NZ	Spreads onto coastal scarps via birds carrying seeds	Kohuhu <i>Pittosporum colensoi, P. tenuifolium</i>
M	hutukawa letrosideros excelsa, 1. kermadecensis	Northern North Island, NZ	Spreads onto coastal scarps via wind-blown seeds	Southern rata <i>Metrosideros umbellata</i>
	uriri <i>itex lucens</i>	Northern North Island, NZ	Potential to spread via birds carrying seeds	Kohekohe <i>Dysoxylum spectabile</i>
	orth Island lacebark, houhere oheria populnea	Northern North Island, NZ	Spreads via wind-blown seeds, very rapid growing	Narrow-leaved lacebark <i>Hoheria angustifolia</i> Lowland ribbonwood <i>Plagianthus regius</i>
	pupara seudopanax lessonii	Northern North Island, NZ	Spreads via birds carrying seeds	Five-finger <i>Pseudopanax arboreus</i> Lancewood <i>P. crassifolius</i>
	orth Island kowhai ophora tetraptera	Northern North Island, NZ	Spreads via long-lived seeds	Kowhai <i>Sophora microphylla</i> Cook Strait kowhai <i>Sophora molloyi</i>

5| PEST CONTROL - ANIMALS AND PLANTS

North Marlborough's relatively warm sheltered environment provides good conditions for a large array of introduced plant and animal pests. Some of these can have a serious impact on both native vegetation through browsing and grazing, and native animals through both competition for food and direct predation. For some areas of existing vegetation the best improvement in habitat values can be gained through carrying out suitable plant and animal pest control. This chapter describes the various threats that introduced animals and weeds can pose to native vegetation areas and also sets out control methods for a number of pest species.

DOMESTIC STOCK

Domestic stock (sheep, cattle, deer, horses, goats, etc) in general destroy native vegetation and undergrowth – particularly in forest and wetland sites – and prevent

regeneration. They also favour certain plant species over others as food and therefore can change the composition of the vegetation. For instance, areas purely of kanuka or manuka are invariably the result of selective browsing of the broadleaved plants and ferns that would otherwise be present in substantial quantities. Fencing to exclude stock is therefore essential within a productive farming landscape if natural remnants or areas for restoration are to remain and flourish. Fencing can provide benefits for both



will be unable to regenerate unless it is fenced from stock.

the farming operation and conservation, particularly around the coast, on erosionprone slopes and in gullies and swamps. However, in situations where severe weeds such as old man's beard and wilding pines are present, continued grazing by stock can prevent their spread so follow up weed control may also be required.

FERAL ANIMALS

Feral pigs, deer, goats, possums and hares are present throughout North Marlborough, and are a general problem. Their populations appear to have built to quite high densities in recent years. All can have serious impacts on native flora and fauna, and in combination their effects can be devastating. As a result, much of the bush has a

"hollowed out" structure, lacking undergrowth. Pigs are extremely destructive of soil and litter and have nearly eliminated the large land snails. Goats can inflict intensive local damage. Possums are general browsers but target species such as kohekohe and southern rata, doing severe damage in places. Deer live throughout but can be locally damaging through grazing and extensive bark-stripping of trees such as fivefinger. Chamois are present in the Richmond Range and contribute to degradation of high country vegetation.

Evidence of possum damage on kohekohe trees, favoured food along with other broadleaved species like five finger (left).

Dieback and complete destruction of areas of kohekohe forest can occur in the worst case scenario (right).



Mustelids (ferrets, stoats and weasels), rodents (rats and mice), feral cats and hedgehogs are throughout the region. Largely uncontrolled, they are responsible for great damage to the small native fauna (birds, lizards and larger invertebrates). Rabbits are beginning to spread into the Sounds and are already having a negative impact on the native vegetation, even well within bush remnants.

Some feral animal control is carried out by some landowners, but it is a difficult task and the extensive areas of public conservation lands and the wide roving habits of several of the pest species (especially if regularly hunted), means that continual re-invasion is an issue. Deliberate introduction for recreational hunting is another problem in some areas. The pest-free status of many of the islands in the Sounds is vital to their value as sanctuaries for native flora and fauna. The lack of possums on Arapawa Island, and the lack of both possums and goats on D'Urville Island also contributes much to the sanctuary quality of North Marlborough.

Several "mainland island" type sanctuaries are in the process of being established on private land in the Sounds, taking advantage of peninsulas with narrow necks that can be intensively managed or fenced to exclude farm stock and feral animals. Full exclusion could result in areas which offer the opportunity to reintroduce rare land birds, burrowing sea birds, tuatara, skinks, geckos and land snails. Kaipupu Point near Picton, jointly administered by Port Marlborough NZ Ltd and the Department of Conservation, is also being managed as a "mainland island", with Council encouragement and strong community involvement.



Domestic cats and dogs are an added threat to weka, listed as nationally threatened and the last of our remarkable flightless native birds. North Marlborough is one of the last strongholds for these birds (left).

Native land snails are very vulnerable to predation by possums, pigs, rodents, mustelids, cats and hedgehogs (right).

Feral animal control

Many landowners are motivated to carry out pest control in an attempt to lessen the impact of feral animals in their surrounding area. While any control effort is useful, to be effective in reducing the impact of feral animals over time, quite comprehensive pest control programmes are likely to be required. Because every situation is different, expert advice is probably required to set up these more comprehensive programmes. The information provided here gives a general overview of basic accepted control methods for the various feral animal pest species. Further detailed information is available from organisations such as:

Landcare Research www.landcareresearch.co.nz Department of Conservation www.doc.govt.nz Biosecurity New Zealand www.biosecurity.govt.nz Sanctuaries of New Zealand www.sanctuariesnz.org

Pigs, deer and goats – The purpose of controlling these species is to reduce the impacts of grazing, browsing, bark stripping and ground disturbance on forest vegetation and habitat. High to moderate densities of these feral animals can significantly affect the habitat quality available for native animal species and over time potentially change the entire forest structure. Pigs also prey on ground dwelling organisms (insects, worms etc) and of particular significance, the threatened native land snail species.

Control methods: Control of these three species is best achieved through intensive ground hunting with appropriately trained dogs (ideally trained for the individual pest species). Initially an intensive hunting effort (two to four hectares per hour) by experienced hunters carried out in a systematic and planned way can effectively reduce the populations of these species, although migration of animals from non-hunted neighbouring areas is a factor to be considered. Ongoing follow up control is likely to be required. Experience has shown that for native vegetation to show significant recovery, the animal population needs to be reduced to a level where one experienced hunter and dog will only encounter one animal per day's hunting time. Control that does not achieve this level will still reduce the pressure on the native habitat but not to the extent that full recovery will be able to occur.

Possums – The purpose of controlling possums is to reduce general browsing pressure on native vegetation as well as targeted browsing pressure on some favoured species such as kohekohe and five-finger which can ultimately kill these species. Possums also prey on nesting birds, taking eggs and chicks over the spring and summer months.

Control methods: Possums can be controlled through a variety of both trapping and poisoning methods.

Trapping

Kill traps – the animal is killed almost instantly and these traps do not have to be checked daily. These traps are generally more expensive, but are suitable for small scale use.

Non kill traps (cage traps and leg hold traps) – have to be checked daily to meet animal welfare guidelines and require that the animal is then humanely killed. Recent legislation has banned various leg hold traps. Information on approved leg hold trap types can be found at:

www.biosecurity.govt.nz/regs/animal-welfare/stds/traps

For both types of traps if weka are present it is recommended that traps are positioned a minimum of 700mm off the ground. It is an offence to kill weka.

Poisoning

Anticoagulant type poisons are most commonly used in small scale possum control around smaller properties and baches. However some are highly lethal to mammals

and birds, and extremely lethal to fish. Strict adherence to label recommendations is necessary, to minimise secondary poisoning and negating it getting into the food chain, especially in scavenging feral pigs. The use of bait stations is a condition of use to circumvent access to the toxin by wildlife and livestock. Weka are particularly vulnerable to this. Anticoagulants do not produce signs of poisoning for several days after the toxic dose has been consumed therefore bait stations should be kept baited for three to four days and then bait removed for up to five days and then rebaited. This helps to prevent "over ingestion" of bait, beyond that required to kill the possum. Those animals requiring a greater dose will receive it in the second baiting.

Acute poisons such as Cyanide in both encapsulated pellet (Feratox) and paste form are commonly used for possum control, but require a licensed operator.

A summary of poison types can be viewed at;

www.landcareresearch.co.nz/publications/infosheets/possums/pros_cons_of_poisoning.pdf

Mustelids (ferrets, stoats and weasels) and rats, also cats

The purpose of controlling these species is to provide some relief from predation of breeding birds, as well as insect and lizard populations over the spring/summer months. Stoats and ship rats, in particular, are key pests in forest ecosystems. There can be quite a complex relationship between the various predators with impacts on one affecting another and this needs to be considered when control programmes are planned. Cats for instance, while preying on native species, also prey on both rats and stoats. Cats should be particularly targeted when numbers are known to be generally high or particular species are at risk from cats – eg, penguins at nesting time.

Stoats prey on nesting birds, including larger species like kereru and kaka. They have a large range being able to travel many kilometres per day.

Rats also prey on nesting birds with particular impacts known on robins, tomtits and kereru, but also prey heavily on invertebrates and feed on seeds and fruit, potentially reducing forest regeneration. Rat numbers build up seasonally in response to food availability, numbers can also build when there is effective control of stoats, as rats are preyed on by stoats. On the other hand when rat and mouse numbers are high, stoat breeding kicks in and rapidly accelerates. Rats have smaller home ranges (100 - 200 metres), and high productivity when conditions are favourable and therefore populations need monitoring and periodic control to be effective.

Cats are difficult to target, but can be caught in leghold or kill traps. They can also be caught in cage traps and then shot.

Control methods: Mustelids and rats can be controlled through both trapping and poisoning methods.

Stoats – Trapping for stoats includes approved kill traps such as the Fenn or DOC 250s, 200s or 150s set at approximately 200m intervals along tracks, ridges and prominent points. For larger operations the trap lines should be 1km or less apart. Rats are also likely to be trapped in these, but not to the extent that the rat population will be significantly reduced.

Rats – The current best practice for controlling rat populations involves installing bait stations on a 100m x 100m grid and using an anticoagulant poison (such as "Talon"). Typical active ingredients are: brodificoum, diphacinone, warfarin, and others. Most of these products include green dyes to deter birds; however, dogs and cats have poor colour vision and to them these pellets may look like pet food.

Anticoagulant rodenticides do not produce signs of poisoning for several days after the toxic dose has been consumed therefore bait stations should be kept baited for three to four days and then bait removed for up to five days and then rebaited. This helps to prevent "over ingestion" of bait, beyond that required to kill the rat. Those rats requiring a greater dose will receive it in the second baiting.

However, in North Marlborough there is a problem with weka taking baits and eating poisoned rats. Bait stations are the most prudent way to apply the bait as it gives a measure of protection to birds from eating the bait.

Trapping of rats can be done in smaller areas using 100m x 50m grids or ideally 50m x 50m grids and checked weekly or as frequently as possible. Several kill trap types are available and need to be set up in a weka-proof tunnel.

Rat numbers can rebuild very rapidly, so to maintain them at low levels programmes need to be repeated at least every third year and if possible more frequently. Some mice will be poisoned/trapped using these methods also. Mustelids will also be reduced following a rat poison operation as a proportion of them die by feeding on the poisoned rodents.

Feral Cats - Cats can be trapped in any of the three trap types - kill traps, leg hold

traps or cage traps. Cage traps are only suitable for control in small areas but are useful in that they avoid pet cats being injured or killed in instances where this is an issue. For more serious control operations, an extensive network of either leg hold or kill traps can be used on 100-200 metre lines. Cat control is quite complex and currently there is no effective monitoring technique for feral cat control operations. The Department of Conservation has detailed fact sheets on feral cat control using the three trapping techniques available.

The Plaisier family of Tui Nature Reserve in the outer Pelorus Sound own about 40 hectares which they have put into a QEII covenant to ensure the area is protected for nature conservation in the long term. Along with their neighbours, they have been working to get animal pest numbers down to low levels so that the native plants and animals on their peninsula, can flourish. They know that research has shown that most native forest birds like tui, bellbird and robins have a less than 20% breeding success rate when no pest control is in place and they are determined to break this cycle in their own area. The Plaisiers have worked from large to small, firstly tackling the pigs, goats and deer on the property by hunting to low numbers, then getting to work on the possum population with an extensive trapping programme using Timms kill traps set up in trees to avoid wekas being accidentally caught.

More recently they have begun even more intensive work on rats, getting specialist help to design and set up grids of suitable traps every 50 metres and checking these every two weeks. By getting all these pest species down to lower numbers they are seeing good recovery of species with kohekohe trees flowering and fruiting prolifically, and insect and bird numbers increasing dramatically. The work is ongoing, but future plans to erect a deterrent fence along the neck of the peninsula will help reduce the long term effort needed to keep pests in this area at sustainable low levels.





The Plaisier family with sponsors at the Marlborough Environment Awards dinner in 2009 where they won both the Habitat Enhancement Award and the overall Supreme Award (left). Kohekohe flowers growing directly out of the trunk and branches, a feature that indicates tropical ancestry.

Possums seek out kohekohe and it would not be flowering like this if possum numbers were not very low (right)

WEEDS

Along with feral animals, introduced plants are placing North Marlborough's natural ecosystems under pressure. Some weed plants that are a threat to native vegetation are managed as "total control" plants through the Regional Pest Management Strategy (for instance boneseed, madeira vine and climbing spindleberry). However many more widespread weeds, including those discussed below, are too widespread to be eradicated and control generally relies on landowners or wider community efforts.

Brochures and information on all of the weeds discussed here are available at the Marlborough District Council.

Wilding Trees

Wilding conifers (mostly *Pinus radiata*) have become the greatest weed threat in North Marlborough, proliferating since the wind-down of pastoral farming and the advent of commercial exotic forestry in about the mid 1970s. They are throughout the region and are rapidly invading regenerating vegetation and sensitive places such as coastal scarps and ultramafic areas. Relatively easy to control at the early stages, they have the ability to rapidly proliferate and destroy the integrity of the native vegetation. Control programmes are underway in several places in the Sounds, where individual landowners are carrying out work. The Marlborough Sounds Restoration Trust is an independent organisation established in 2006 to work on a larger scale programme of wilding pine control in the Marlborough Sounds with the backing of the Marlborough District Council and the Department of Conservation.

Scattered wilding pines within regenerating kanuka forest that could be relatively easily controlled by poisoning at this stage.



Control methods – the most effective way to control large wilding pines where they are located within regenerating native vegetation and away from areas where people could be endangered by falling branches, is to poison them standing and allow them to die and break down over a period of several years. This method does not create gaps in the vegetation where seeds in the ground can germinate and become an

ongoing problem. The method involves drilling on a downward angle from 2-8 holes (depending on the size of the tree), into the growth layer of the tree under the outer bark layer (about 100mm), and filling with a chemical mix of high concentration metsulfuron based herbicide like Meturon, Escort or Matrix (200g per litre of water).

Young smaller pre-coning trees can be felled with a handsaw or chainsaw.

Graeme and Sue Moore – Hitaua Bay, Tory Channel – are pioneers in the wilding pine management field and after trialling other methods (helicopter removal and ring barking), have been controlling trees through stem poisoning for about 20 years. They have killed many thousands of trees with the help of local couple, Len and Helen Dunwoodie, who have steadily worked their way right over the property over the years, building expertise and experience as they went.

As the trees die off over a period of months, more light and moisture get to ground level and regeneration of native species is often rapid. Plots set up in some areas on the property found up to 18 native species established under trees after two years. The dead standing trees make ideal perches for birds which bring more seed into the system fairly quickly, including nearby podocarp species like rimu, totara and matai. Because there is no ground disturbance using this method few weed species tend to establish.

After 20 years the Moore's property is a great showcase for what can be achieved and the different stages and patterns that emerge depending on factors such as climate, soil fertility and so on. Trees disintegrate to single stems in anything from five to 20 years – these stems will gradually blow or fall down and the regenerating native vegetation will be dominant once again. More extensive wilding pine control using similar stem poisoning methods is now carried out throughout the Sounds by other landowners and since 2008 by the Marlborough Sounds Restoration Trust.





Graeme Moore and environmental consultant Paul Millen tour the property (left). Trees poisoned about five years ago stand amongst vigorously regenerating native vegetation (right).

Old man's beard

Old man's beard is also a major and burgeoning problem. It is beyond the capacity of individual landowners to control in several places, even though biological control agents are present. The main control tools are grazing or cutting stems and painting the cuts with herbicide. Preventing the spread of this weed should be a regional aim.



Old man's beard plants showing prolific wind spread seeds after flowering.



Control - the most effective control method is to find and cut the vines near the ground and paint the stumps with herbicide, either Vigilant gel, one part Glyphosphate to four parts water, or, one part Grazon to 20 parts water. Ongoing control will be required for some years to continue removing seedlings. Hand pulling and grubbing is possible with smaller plants. As plants can re-grow from stem fragments ensure these are not left on the ground.

Other weed species

Banana passionfruit, Japanese honeysuckle and climbing asparagus are also becoming severe problems, though as yet they are more localised.

Willows threaten natural riparian sites and wetlands. They can be controlled by drilling and poisoning using similar methods outlined above for wilding pine trees.



Banana passionfruit, Japanese honeysuckle and climbing asparagus, all weeds that could become major problems if allowed to spread (left to right).

Willows spread vegetatively, so if they are going to be mechanically removed they should still be killed by poisoning first, otherwise any pieces left on the ground are likely to re-grow.

Cotoneaster, agapanthus and shrubby stonecrop (Sedum praealtum) – all garden escapees – are threats to coastal scarps and should be controlled wherever they become established in the wild.

Gorse and broom are threats to areas where native vegetation regeneration is slow, for instance ultramatic areas and some coastal scarps; otherwise they are benign and are generally quickly outstripped by regenerating native vegetation.

Spanish heath, hawthorn, barberry, Himalayan honeysuckle and blackberry are localised but widespread; they are not usually a threat to the native vegetation. For many of these weeds, exclusion of stock and prevention of fire and other disturbance may be sufficient for the regeneration of native vegetation to prevail.

On the few sand dunes, marram grass has invaded and is a severe threat to the natural sand dynamics, as well as to the last remnants of native sandbinding vegetation and mat daisy populations. Control of marram and planting of native sandbinders such as spinifex, pingao and sand tussock will be necessary for these special communities to survive long into the future.

"Exotic natives" – New Zealand native plants not naturally occurring in North Marlborough – also pose threats to the natural integrity of the region. They include beloved species such as pohutukawa, kauri, puriri and karo. Pohutukawa and karo have become established in the wild in several places in the Sounds. In terms of ecological integrity it is better not to plant these species but to plant the local equivalents instead: southern rata, totara, kohekohe and kohuhu. Even then it is preferable to use plants raised from the nearest available source, rather than what can be obtained "off the shelf" from a commercial nursery.



Although Pohutukawa is a native species and attractive to native birds, is not natural to Marlborough and is spreading in places. From an ecological perspective it is better to plant southern rata, which is natural to the region.

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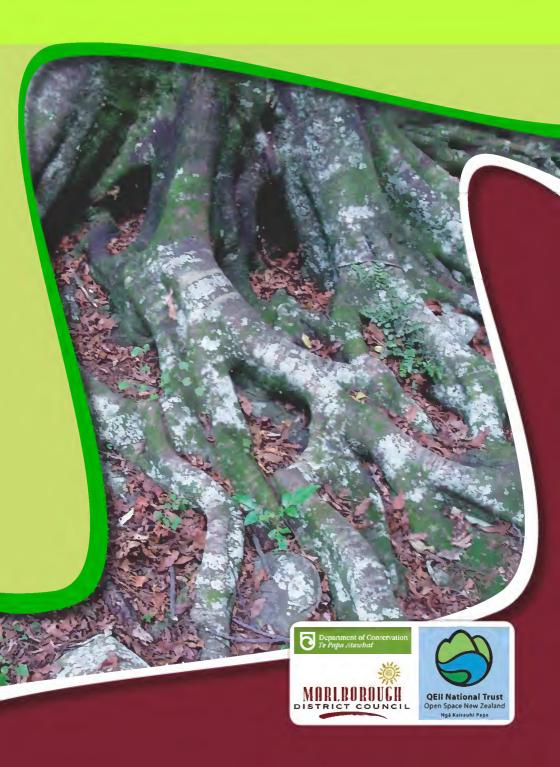
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SUPPORTIVE ORGANISATIONS

Department of Conservation; North Marlborough Area Office, Picton, (03) 520 3002

Department of Conservation: Nelson-Marlborough Conservancy Office, (03) 546 9335

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Queen Elizabeth II National Trust; Contact Nelson/Marlborough field officer, Tom Stein, (03) 574 2978. tstein@openspace.org.nz, www.openspace.org.nz

Marlborough District Council; (03) 520 7400

Marlborough Environment Centre; Contact Tim Newsham, (03) 570 5745, timnewsham@xtra.co.nz

Marlborough Farm Forestry Association; Contact Bill Peter, (03) 579 4227 ben.est.ltd@xtra.co.nz

Marlborough Forest and Bird; Contact Mike Harvey, (03) 577 6086, opaua@xtra.co.nz

Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game; Contact Vaughan Lynn, (03) 578 8421, vlynn@xtra.co.nz

New Zealand Ecological Restoration Network; a non-profit, community-driven organisation dedicated to sharing knowledge and experiences about native habitat protection, management and ecological restoration. www.bush.org.nz

New Zealand Landcare Trust; contact regional co-ordinator Barbara Stuart. 03 545 0443, barbara.stuart@landcare.org.nz

Tane's Tree Trust; aims to see the majority of New Zealand landowners planting and sustainably managing indigenous trees by 2020, contact Jan Barton 09 292 4825, www.tanestrees.org.nz,

MAF – for information on the Emissions Trading Scheme – Nelson/Marlborough Sustainable Programme Advisor – Ben Doherty (03) 543 9185 ben.doherty@maf.govt.nz

POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Department of Conservation/Ministry for the Environment; Biodiversity Condition and Advice Fund. www.biodiversity.govt.nz/land

Marlborough District Council; Natural Areas Protection Fund. Contact Nicky Eade, (03) 520 7400, nicky.eade@marlborough.govt.nz

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry; Sustainable Farming Fund. The purpose is to bring together "communities of interest" drawn together by a shared problem and/ or opportunity in the sustainable use of resources. Contact. 0800 100 087, sffund@maf.govt.nz

New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Trust; a charitable body that receives and distributes the proceeds of the Game Bird Habitat Stamp Programme. Fish & Game New Zealand services the programme on behalf the Trust Board. Funds are allocated for the protection, enhancement or creation of game bird habitat.

Nga Whenua Rahui; a contestable Ministerial fund established to help protect indigenous ecosystems on Maori land by providing incentives for voluntary conservation. www.doc.govt.nz and click on community/Maori.

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