

3. Mānuka/Tea tree

Leptospermum scoparium

A small tree common throughout NZ. Grows easily in open areas.

Leaves

Small, hard leaves with smooth edges. Feel spiky to touch.



Flowers

Small white flowers with 5 petals. Dark brown centres.



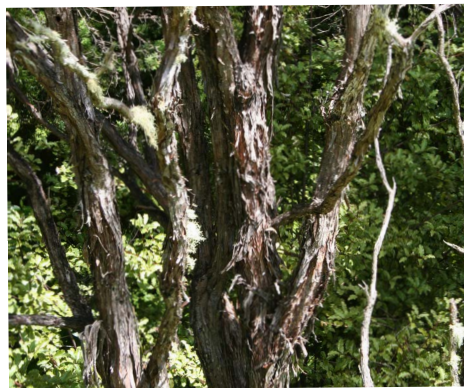
Seeds/seed capsules

Seed pods are round and bowl shaped. Can be grey-brown.



Bark

Flaky, messy looking brown bark.



Size

Up to 4 metres tall.

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There are many other species of tea tree (e.g. Kanuka) that can look slightly different to Mānuka. See: www.doc.govt.nz for more information on these differences.