

# OUR INTERESTING NATIVE PLANTS



Rangiora is also known as 'Bushman's Toilet Paper'!



Kōtukutuku (tree fuchsia) has a twisted trunk of reddish flaky bark and yummy berries



Pohuehue is a native that can look like a weed as it grows over other plants



Wheki ponga have a 'skirt' of old fronds



Tātaramoa (bush lawyer) is our native blackberry with hooked thorns



Makomako has edges like sharks' teeth and can have a reddish underside and stems



Putaputaweta trunks may be full of puriri moth holes now home to wētā



Tarata (lemonwood) has leaves that smell and taste like lemon when crushed



Can you spot the red colour under battered Matai bark? It flakes off in round chunks.



Whauwhaupaku (Five Finger) has 5-7 thick serrated leaves



Patē (seven finger) has 7-9 narrower smooth leaves and has anti-fungal properties



Horopito is our spicy hot pepper plant with red spots!

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Tōtara has spiky leaves and edible berries



Epiphytes are plants that grow in/on other plants!



Rimu means seaweed, which this plant looks like!



Akeake leaves stick upwards and can be green or purple



Horoeka (lancewood) has long hard leaves that change to green when it grows tall.



Mānuka has prickly leaves and flowers for the bees



Kowaowao is a ground cover vine with edible new leaves.



Kōwhai flowers are loved by birds, but all of the plant is poisonous to humans



Koromiko has flowers for native pollinators and medicinal leaves.



Rewarewa is loved by birds for its spiky flowers filled with nectar.



Tī kōuka trees have looper caterpillars and moths, which camouflage with the leaves



Kawakawa has peppery edible berries and leaves eaten by looper caterpillars