

Melia azedarach

COMMON NAMES

Melia

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, White

GENUS

Melia

FAMILY

Meliaceae

AUTHORITY

Melia azedarach L.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Horticultural.

TOLERANCES

Drought and cold tolerant once established.

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Long-lived tree. Reproduces mainly by seed but can root sucker extensively. Fleshy fruits are dispersed by birds. Also spread by gravity and through careless disposal of garden waste.

POISONOUS PLANT

The yellow fruits of this species are poisonous.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/melia-azedarach/>

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