

# Persea americana

## COMMON NAME

Avocado

## FAMILY

Lauraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Persea americana* Mill.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

Green, Yellow

## LIFE CYCLE

Avocado is a popular fruit and the large seeds readily germinate when they are discarded (Webb et al. 1995)

## YEAR NATURALISED

1989

## ORIGIN

Mexico

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Horticultural

## ETYMOLOGY

**americana:** Of South America

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/persea-americana/>



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