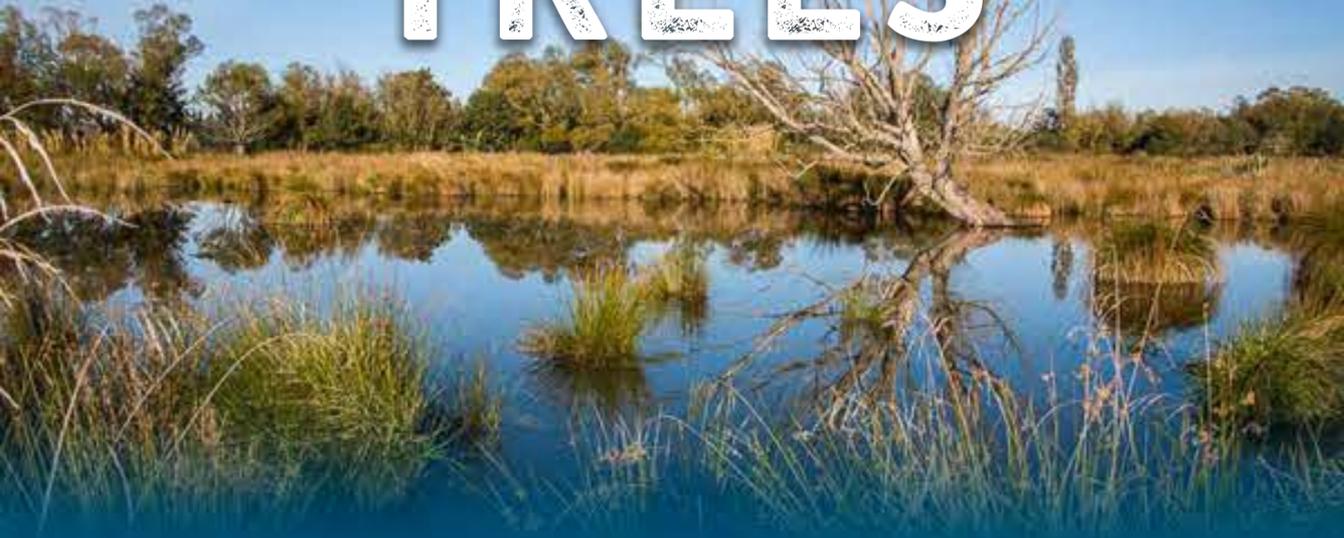


# WET GROUND TREES



Certain trees are often described as Wetland trees because they are found in marshy or swamp conditions, but many trees categorised as ideal in wetlands are perfectly content in normal ground conditions and can be seen throughout the country on our slopes and ridges. Most of these multiple-ground-condition species are extraordinarily beautiful.

Many regions in New Zealand during the last quarter experienced the wettest quarter on record, raising the question as to which tree species we might use for native plantings.



**Kahikatea** (*Dacrycarpus dacrydioides*) is a wonderful iconic NZ tree which is very happy in damp (or dry) ground conditions. Our tallest tree and endemic to most of NZ, Kahikatea forest was mercilessly felled on the plains to make way for farming. This tall, conical, majestic species is an attractive shade of green, and graces any roomy surrounding.



**Pukatea** (*Laurelia novae-zelandiae*), as its Laurelia genus implies, has a beautiful leaf form, consistent shape, and is upright and leafy. It's great in wetlands, and also gorgeous in drier places.



**Maire tawhake** (*Syzygium maire*) also called Swamp Maire is an under-utilised species of medium size dappled green and red dense foliage. It has an upright form and produces red berries. (Note: It is a Myrtle,



**Kaikomako** (*Pennantia corymbosa*) is another damp-resistant tree, wildly divaricating as a juvenile, but growing to be upright and leafy, and producing berries. It's also fine on drier ground.

Other more widely utilised species suitable to the wet are Ti Kouka (*Cordyline australis*), Nikau (*Rhopalostylis sapida*), Putaputaweta (*Carpodetus serratus*) and Karaka (*Corynocarpus laevigatus*).

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