



Calendar for seed collecting – trees

Introduction

Find the best time of year and what to look for when collecting native seeds of trees and shrubs.

Use this table to check for the optimal time of year for collection, as well as what to look for when collecting native seeds of trees and shrubs. Read this in conjunction with the [Seed collection and propagation guide for native trees and shrubs](#).

Botanical name	Common name	Colour of ripe fruit/ seed case	Feb	Mar April	May June	July- Oct	Nov- Jan
<i>Agathis australis</i>	kauri	brown cone		y			
<i>Alectryon excelus</i>	titoki	red-black fruit	y				y
<i>Aristotelia serrata</i>	makomako/ wineberry	red-black fruit		y			
<i>Beilschmiedia taraira</i>	taraira	purple drupe		y			
<i>Beilschmiedia tawa</i>	tawa	purple drupe	y	y			
<i>Brachyglottis repanda</i>	rangiora	dry brown seed					y
<i>Carpodetus serratus</i>	putaputaweta	red-black fruit			y		
<i>Coprosma arborea</i>	mamangi	white fruit	y	y	y	y	y
<i>Coprosma areolata</i>		dark blue fruit		y			
<i>Coprosma grandifolia</i>	kanono	red fruit	y	y			
<i>Coprosma lucida</i>	shining karamu	red fruit		y			
<i>Coprosma propinqua</i>	mingimingi	blue fruit		y	y		
<i>Coprosma rhamnoides</i>		ruby red fruit		y	y		
<i>Coprosma rigida</i>		yellow fruit		y	y		
<i>Coprosma robusta</i>	karamu	orange fruit	y	y	y		
<i>Coprosma rotundifolia</i>		red/two-lobed fruit	y				y
<i>Coprosma spathulata</i>		red/orange/ black fruit		y	y		
<i>Coprosma tenuicaulis</i>	swamp coprosma	black fruit		y	y		
<i>Cordyline australis</i>	cabbage tree/ti kouka	cream fruit	y	y			
<i>Cordyline banksii</i>	bush cabbage tree	cream-blue fruit	y	y			
<i>Dacrycarpus dacrydioides</i>	kahikatea	orange-red fruit	y	y			
<i>Dacrydium cupressinum</i>	rimu	red fruit	y	y	y		
<i>Dysoxylum spectabile</i>	kohekohe	orange fruit			y		
<i>Elaeocarpus dentatus</i>	hinau	dark brown fruit		y	y		
<i>Fuchsia excorticata</i>	kotukutuku	red-purple fruit	y				y
<i>Elaeocarpus hookerianus</i>	pokaka	purple-black drupe		y			
<i>Hebe stricta</i>	koromiko	brown capsule		y	y		

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<i>Hedycarya arborea</i>	pigeonwood/ porokaiwhiri	orange fruit					y
<i>Hoheria sexstylosa</i>	lacebark/hohere	dry brown		y	y		
<i>Knightia excelsa</i>	rewarewa	brown capsule			y		
<i>Kunzea species</i>	kanuka	dry brown capsule		y			
<i>Laurelia novae zelandiae</i>	pukatea	green capsule		y	y		
<i>Leptospermum scoparium</i>	manuka	brown capsule	y	y	y	y	y
<i>Leucopogon fasciculatus</i>	mingimingi	crimson fruit	y	y			
<i>Litsea calicaris</i>	mangeo	blue-purple fruit		y			
<i>Melicope simplex</i>	poataniwha	dry capsule	y	y			
<i>Melicytus ramiflorus</i>	mahoe	white-purple fruit	y	y			
<i>Metrosideros excelsa</i>	pohutukawa	dry brown seed	y	y			
<i>Myrsine australis</i>	mapou /red matipo	black fruit		y	y	y	
<i>Nestegis lanceolata</i>	maire	yellow fruit	y				
<i>Olearia rani</i>	heketara	fluffy white seed					y
<i>Pennantia corymbosa</i>	kaikomako	black fruit	y				
<i>Piper excelsum</i>	kawakawa	yellow-orange fruit	y				y
<i>Phyllocladus trichomanoides</i>	tanekaha	cone		y	y		
<i>Plagianthus regius</i>	ribbonwood/manatu	dry brown capsule	y	y			
<i>Podocarpus totara</i>	totara	yellow-red fruit	y	y			
<i>Prumnopitys ferruginea</i>	miro	red fruit		y	y		
<i>Prumnopitys taxifolia</i>	matai	black fruit	y	y			
<i>Pseudopanax arboreus</i>	five finger	black fruit		y	y		
<i>Pseudopanax crassifolius</i>	lancewood/horoeka	black fruit				y	
<i>Rhabdothamnus solandri</i>	taurepo	dry capsule	y	y	y		
<i>Rhopalostylis sapida</i>	nikau	red fruit		y			
<i>Schefflera digitata</i>	pate/patete	white-purple fruit		y	y		
<i>Sophora microphylla</i>	kowhai	dry brown pod	y	y	y		
<i>Streblus heterophyllus</i>	turepo	red fruit	y				
<i>Syzygium maire</i>	swamp maire	red-black fruit	y				
<i>Vitex lucens</i>	puriri	pink or black fruit	y	y			
<i>Weinmannia racemosa</i>	kamahi	capsule		y			