## Lemon-scented Tea Tree

Leptospermum petersonii





Rounded shrub/small tree to 4 m high by 3 m across







**Distribution:** East coast of Queensland and NSW

**Description:** Leaves are narrow-lanceolate, to 4 cm, and strongly lemon-scented. White flowers, 1.5 cm in diameter, occur in spring and early summer. Fast-growing.

**Propagation:** propagates by seed or cuttings.

**Habitat:** It naturally occurs near sclerophyll forest or rainforest, on sandy or rocky escarpments, on the east coast of Australia.

**Uses:** Suitable hedge or screen plants. Bird attractant. The leaves are distilled commercially for the essential oil which contains citronellal, citral, and pinene.

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