# Melia azedarach

## **COMMON NAME**

Melia

#### **FAMILY**

Meliaceae

#### **AUTHORITY**

Melia azedarach L.

### **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Exotic

#### STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

#### **CONSERVATION STATUS**

Not applicable

## **FLOWER COLOURS**

Red/Pink, White

#### **Reason For Introduction**

Horticultural.

## **Life Cycle Comments**

Long-lived tree.

## Reproduction

Mainly by seed but can root sucker extensively

#### Seed

Fleshy bird dispersed fruits - seed long-lived.

## Dispersal

Bird dispersed and by gravity. Also spread through careless disposal of garden waste.

#### **Tolerances**

Drought and cold tolerant once established.

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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