

Metrosideros thomasi

New Zealand Christmas Bush; Pohutukawa

Description

Grey/green foliage; bushy when young but becoming umbrella shape when mature. Brilliant crimson flowers in spring and sporadically through the year

Size

Medium size

Maximum height: 4 to 6 metres

Maximum spread: 3 to 5 metres

Pruning: needs pruning when young to maintain a single trunk



Features

- Hardy small to medium sized tree
- Can be slow growing but has a dense habit and a rounded crown when mature
- Lives for 20 + years

Uses

- Dense screening tree
- Very coastal tolerant
- Can be pruned as a hedge

Preferred conditions

Full sun. Adaptable to most soils. Prefers moisture when young but tolerates drought periods when established

Availability

All nurseries

