Native Planting Guide - Freshwater wetland

Swamps, fens, bogs and marshes dominated by wetland vegetation such as sedges, rushes and flax. Examples of flaxland swamps include those in the Waipori wetland complex. Flaxland and sedgeland swamps would once have been extensive on the Taieri Plain. Other examples of freshwater wetlands include marsh wetlands at Okia Flat, and bog/fen wetlands around Logan Burn reservoir and on Swampy Summit.

Plant type	Species	Common name	Generalist	Wetland sites	Riparian sites	Dry sites	Moist sites	Exposure	Shade tolerance	Planting sequence	Palatability	Fleshy fruits?	Nectar sources	Notes
Tussock grass	Austroderia richardii	Toetoe	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Estuarine river banks
Tussock grass	Chionochloa rubra subsp. cuprea	Copper tussock	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Tall tussock most commonly found in upland fens and swamps
Tree	Cordyline australis	Cabbage tree	Yes	Margins	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Moderate	Early	High	No	Yes	Fast growing tree with wide environmental tolerance
Tree	Dacrycarpus dacrydioides	Kahikatea	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	High	Early	Low	Yes	No	Long-lived emergent podocarp
Tree	Leptospermum scoparium	Manuka	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	Yes	Hardy small tree of exposed, wet, or infertile sites
Tree	Olearia lineata		No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Small tree of montane wetlands and toe slopes
Shrub	Coprosma propinqua	Mingimingi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Moderate	Early	Moderate	Yes	No	Shrub with good all round performance
Shrub	Olearia bullata		No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Small-leaved shrub of fertile upland wetlands, important for invertebrates
Sedge	Carex coriacea	Rautahi	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Common wetland sedge



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Sedge	Eleocharis sphacelata	Bamboo spike sedge	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Requires shallow open water habitat
Rush	Juncus edgariae	Hard rush	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Estuarine flats
Monocot herb	Phormium tenax	Harakeke	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Moderate	No	Yes	Excellent for initial shelter and high value for indigenous fauna
Monocot herb	Typha orientalis	Raupo	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Requires shallow open water habitat
Grass	Deschampsia caespitosa		No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Wetland margins
Fern	Blechnum minus	Swamp kiokio	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Fern of swamps
Fern	Blechnum novaezelandiae	Kiokio	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Fern of swamps and damp banks
Fern	Blechnum penna- marina		No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Low	Early	Low	No	No	Small fern of damp sites
Dicot herb	Urtica linearifolia	Swamp nettle	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Moderate	Early	Low	No	No	Nettle of lowland swamps

