



Leptospermum myrsinoides

Heath Tea Tree



(Martin, W, iNaturalist Australia)

Form: *Medium shrub* **Height:** *1 – 4 m*



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Spread: *1 – 4 m* **Flowers:** *White, Pink*



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Type: *Open-petalled* **Flowering time:** *Spring*

Ecological functions:



Soils: *sand or loam; acidic or neutral*

Germination rate: *3 to 6 weeks*

Seed collecting: collect mature valves that are starting to split. Place in bag or container. Seed will come out within a day if allowed to dry fully in a warm position. Screen to clean further.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: brush aside large bark particles and sow on top of damp soil. Cover with a sparse layer of gravel. Sow in late Spring to Summer. Keep seedlings moist. Use liquid fertiliser 7 – 10 days after they first appear. Use Maxicrop, Thrive or Aquasol.

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: can be used as a screen, hedge for wider verges, nature strips, parks and reserves. Useful for poorly drained sites. Vigorous root system is useful for soil control but may restrict growth of other plants in close proximity.

Notes: not recommended to plant closer than 2 m to any sewer main or connection.