

Melaleuca alternifolia (Narrow-leaved Paperbark)

This tree is the main source of commercially-produced tea tree oil. Bears fluffy, white masses of flowers from spring to early summer, and its narrow leaves help distinguish it from similar species. Leaves are linear, 10–35 mm long and 1 mm wide. White flowers occur in spikes 3–5 cm long. Small woody, cup-shaped fruit are 2–3 mm in diameter.



Type: Small Tree to 6m
Aspect: Full Sun
Soil: Moist/Well-drained
Habitat: Wetlands and Streambanks

Special features:

- Attracts –
 - Bees
 - Birds
 - Butterflies
 - Insects
- Tea Tree Oil from Leaves