

Native plants make great shelter for animals, while also providing a host of other benefits to you and your property:

- Lower maintenance;
- Less wind erosion:
- Increased biodiversity and habitat, including for pollinators;
- Resistance to drought, frost, and snow;
- Higher dry matter yields.

It is important to source your plants from local sources (eco-sourcing) as these plants will be best adapted for conditions in your local area.

Shelter planting to complement—not compete with—your irrigator

Stock shelter can be planted underneath the irrigator in a few different formations:

- Several straight rows dependent on prevailing wind;
- In circles, depending on track and paddock placement;
- As a row on the outside of your pivot, tall shelter that you hedge.

You need to allow a minimum two-metre wide fenced area for planting low shelter under the pivot, and 3.5 metres if planting tall shelter.



Low shelter plant species, perfect to grow under pivot irrigators								
Tolerates key:	Full sun	Wind S	Salt wind	Frost hardy	Poorly drai	ned soil (boggy)	Dry soil conditions	
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Benefits key:	Attracts Birds	Attract bees	Filters	runoff	Fish habitat	Slope Stabilisation	Shade	

Species	Туре	Tolerates	Benefits	Size (height x
				width)
Shrub Pohuehue – Muehlenbeckia astonii	Shrub	🗷 🍥 ఫ్రా	*	2 x 2m
			Attracts insects & Lizards	
Koromiko – Veronica salicfolia	Shrub	⊚ જુ *** 🛠	* \$\dot\	1.8 x 1m
Mikimiki – Coprosma propinqua	Shrub	ઁ જે *** ∜ જે	-	4 x 1.5m
Mikimiki – Coprosma rigida	Shrub	ઁ જે *** ∜ ઢે 🗷	**	1.5m x
Mikimiki – Coprosma rugosa	Shrub	ઁ જે *** ∰ ≬⊠	**	2m x
Mikimiki – Coprosma virescens	Shrub	ઁ જે *** ∜ ઢે જ	**	1.5m x
Korokio – Corokia cotoneaster	Shrub	🗷 ⊚ 🔆	*	1.5 x 3m
			Attracts insects & Lizards	
Mountain flax – Phormium cookianum	Grass	⑥ જુ *** ∰ ♦	* * * * *	1.5 x 1m
Harakeke – Phormium tenax	Grass	⊕ ÷ ♦ ♦	* IN	2 x 2m
Toe toe - Austroderia richardii	Grass	≎…⊹∳⊠	₹	1.5 x 1.5m

Fast growing tall species, perfect for outside the pivot, filling paddock corners, or under irrigator end guns							
Tolerates key:	Full sun	Wind S	alt wind	Frost hardy	Poorly drained soil (boggy) Dry		Dry soil conditions
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Benefits key:	Attracts Birds	Attract bees	Filter	s runoff	Fish habitat	Slope Stabilisation	Shade

Species	Туре	Tolerates	Benefits	Size (height x
Tī kōuka – <i>Cordyline australis</i>	Tree	● ઋ ⋅⋅ ※ ♦	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	10 x 3m
Kōhūhū – Pittosporum tenuifolium	Tree		~ L+	8 x 3m
Kāpuka - Griselinia littoralis	Tree	ઁ મે…⊹∳⊠	-	6 x 2.5m
Kānuka – Kuneza ericoides	Tree	ા જે ∰ 🗷	*\\	8 x 3m
South Island kowhai – Sophora microphylla	Tree	ાં જે ∰ 🗷	* IN	10 x 5m
Manatu – <i>Plagianthus regius</i>	Tree	◎ ※ 🌢	\$ \$ L P	3 x 15m
Mānuka – <i>Leprospermum scoparium</i>	Small tree	ઁ ≎…⊹∳⊠	♦ ▶ ↑	4 x 1.5m
Lowland totara – Podocarpus totara	Tree	ાં જે ∰ 🗷	P. V.	15 x 4m
Akiraho – Golden Ake Ake – Oleria paniculata	Small Tree	⊠ ⊚ ₩	♣ ₱	4 x 2.5m
Twiggy Tree Daisy – Oleria lineata	Tree	⊠ @ % ఫ్ర	*	5 x 3m
Mountain Ake Ake – Olearia avicenniaefolia	Small Tree	… ∰⊚ ఈ 🗷	* • •	4 x 2m