

Kotare Subtropicals Nursery - Catalogue

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All prices are exclusive of freight. Please contact us for a quote including freight.

We stock a wide range of edible and ornamental bananas as well as other subtropical plants.

Bananas are gross feeders during the growing season and generally require the following:

- Frost free – hardier once established and some types can withstand a limited number of frosts
- Warm sunny position with good drainage is best
- Sheltered from the wind
- Slopes of 15 degrees or less to enable safe harvesting. Greater slopes can be terraced.

Plants considered suitable for planting into greenhouse: Dwarf Cavendish, Grande naine, Rajapuri and the Cavendish subtype known as "Double" or "Mahoi".

All other stock is recommended for planting outside from November until February, except in frost free areas where planting can safely be achieved in other months.

In general we do not replace subtropical plants as climatic conditions in New Zealand are variable.

Subtropicals require special care and feeding.

Banana grades measured from base of pot to top leaf tip

Small up to 0.5m in height in 17 cm pots

Medium 0.5 – 1.0m height in 23 cm pots (Pb 6.5)

Large 1.0m – 1.5m height in 28cm pots Pb 8.0)

Extra Large 1.5m height or greater (Pb 12).

Specimen potted banana up to 2.5m (price on application)

Stems are bare rooted plants and available on application.

| Banana Bunch Covers | | Thickness (um) | Retail Price inc. GST |
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| Highly recommended banana flower/fruit cover. With UV protection, blue/silver. | | 100 | \$5.75 |

| Subtropical Fruit Plants | Description: A mix of plant varieties with potential for fruit production in New Zealand | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|--|---|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Soursop (Annona muricata) | Originally from Central America, soursop is a flowering evergreen tree now grown throughout the tropics with fruit weighing up to 4 kg. In NZ it is recommended for indoor cultivation in covered structures. The flesh is juicy and tangy. The texture is fibrous and can be eaten fresh or sieved to make a drink or puree to make a cream. | Small | Available | \$60.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$65.00 |
| Rollinia (Annona reticulata), also known as Rollinia deliciosa | A small, well-branched tree (in tropical climates) or shrub that bears edible fruits also called sugar-apples or sweetsops. It is in the same family as Cherimoya which are proven to grow and fruit well in warmer areas of NZ. | Small | Not available | \$35.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$45.00 |
| | | Large | Not available | \$55.00 |
| Jackfruit (Artocarpus heterophyllus) NZ sourced | Tree grows up to 20m in its native environment in Asia. Fruits arise from the trunk and older branches. The largest of all known fruit, reaching 90cm in length. The pulp surrounding the seeds smells and tastes of bubble gum. Ideally grown in warm frost free locations or in a greenhouse. Bears fruit after 3 - 8 years. | Small | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$143.00 |
| | | Large | Not available | \$172.00 |
| Jackfruit Cheena (Artocarpus heterophyllus) Australia sourced | Highly recommended cross of Jackfruit and Chempedak. Very tasty fruit. Needs warmth and frost free site. | Small | Available | \$65.00 |
| | | Medium | Not available | \$75.00 |
| | | Large | Not available | \$85.00 |
| American Pawpaw (Asimina triloba) | Small to medium-sized deciduous tree. Full sun to part shade. Seedling grown, should start fruiting in 4-6 years. Needs 2 types for pollination. One pollinator will suffice for multiple plantings. Produces abundant green fruit after 4-6 years which matures to faint yellow-brown when ripe. Tropical taste is a cross between banana and mango. | Small | Available | \$86.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$143.00 |
| Starfruit (Averrhoa carambola) | Native to SE Asia, 5-12m in height, pink flowers with fleshy berry fruit. The fruit is acutely 5 angled and star shaped in cross-section. It is yellow when ripe and has 10 - 12 ovoid seeds. The trees cannot establish in areas prone to frost. Older trees are more tolerant but can withstand low temperatures for only short periods. | Small | Limited Stock | \$60.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$65.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$75.00 |
| | | XL | Not available | \$85.00 |

| Subtropical Fruit Plants | Continued | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|---|---|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Black Sapote (<i>Diospyros digyna</i>) | Diospyros nigra, the black sapote, is an evergreen species of persimmon native to Mexico, Central America, and Colombia. Common names include chocolate pudding fruit, black soapapple and zapote prieto. It can grow up to 25 m in height with trunk diameter of up to 45 cm. It has a rounded crown, black bark, and glossy, dark green leaves. Its fruit is consumed raw when fully ripe and/or cooked. Its flesh is dark chocolate brown to black in colour but somewhat sweet and rich in flavour. Immature fruits can also be eaten as a vegetable when boiled. Bark and leaves are used medicinally in the treatment of fever and various skin conditions. | Small | Not Available | \$69.00 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$80.50 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$92.00 |
| Sapodilla 'Krausey' (<i>Manilkara zapota</i>) | The Krausey sapodilla is native to Thailand and is an evergreen tree up to 20m high and 7m in width. It can tolerate frosts and is reasonably hardy. It prefers drier, well drained light to medium textured soils. The fruit is small, elliptical with melting flesh, having a rich sweet flavour and a light cinammon skin. Fruits from Sept to Nov in Australia. Fertilise lightly with NPK mixtures with applications during the spring, summer and early autumn. Pick fruit before it softens. | Small | Limited Stock | \$85.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$95.00 |
| Prickly Pear (<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>) | Can grow to a height of 5.5m. Large flowers, 7.5 to 10cm across, followed by white, yellow, or reddish purple fruits. The leaf pads may also be eaten once spines removed - Nopales in Mexican cuisine. Prohibited plant in Auckland. | Small | Limited Stock | \$86.25 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| Jaboticaba (<i>Plinia cauliflora</i>) Also known as <i>Plinia jaboticaba</i> | Slow-growing evergreen tree from the Myrtle family grows up to 15m. Cold tolerant to around -5C when established, but best in a frost-free sheltered site. The purplish-black, white-pulped fruit arise directly on the tree trunk. Usually eaten raw or to make jellies, jams, juice or wine. | Small | Available | \$51.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| Abiu (<i>Pouteria caimito</i>) | Native to South America where it grows to an average of 10m. Pollination is enhanced with two adjacent plants. Fruit shape varies from round to oval pointed at the distal end. When ripe, it has a smooth, bright yellow skin and one to four ovate seeds. Inside of the fruit is translucent and white. It has a creamy, jelly-like texture, taste similar to sweet caramel custard. From the Sapotaceae family it is similar in appearance to the canistel (<i>Pouteria campechiana</i>). | Small | Not Available | \$74.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$143.75 |
| Canistel (<i>Pouteria campechiana</i>) | In the Sapotiaceae family, the canistel tree grows up to 10m and produces orange-yellow fruit. Also called yellow sapote, the fruit is up to 7cm long, edible raw. The flavor is described as sweet moist pumpkin or creamy sweet potato. Can grow outside in a frost-free location. | Small | Available | \$75.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$90.00 |
| Ross Sapote (<i>Pouteria campechiana</i>) | Similar to canistel but fruit is moister and less mealy than a canistel. Slow growing. Requires warm, frost-free location. | Small | Limited Stock | \$110.00 |
| Blackberry Jam Fruit (<i>Randia formosa</i>) | A 1.2m shrub that will flower and fruit in full sun or filtered light. Described cold hardy -3.3C but that is not our experience. Slow growing with small yellow fruit which taste like blackberry jam. Several plants required for pollination. | Small | Not Available | \$80.00 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$90.00 |

| Subtropical Fruit Plants | Continued | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|---|--|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Dragon Fruit - Red (Selenicereus setaceus) Also known as Patahaya | A climbing succulent. They climb by the use of aerial roots, requiring a simple board or pole to climb or may be grown on a low pergola. Thin skinned fruit ranges in color bright pink to red-brown, easily peeled to reveal dark red to crimson flesh containing tiny, black, edible seeds. Flesh has a delicate, sweet, fresh and mildly acidic flavour. Grown in warmer areas of NZ. Plant in part shade but can be moved to full sun once roots are established. Water regularly during dry months or summer. Avoid overwatering in winter, especially in cold climates. Fertilise with organic fertiliser in spring. | Small | Available | \$23.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$50.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$70.00 |
| Dragon Fruit - White (Selenicereus undatus) | A climbing succulent. They climb by the use of aerial roots, requiring a simple board or pole to climb or may be grown on a low pergola. White Dragon Fruit is yellow skinned but white-fleshed with a delicate, sweet, fresh and mildly acidic flavour. Grown in warmer areas of NZ. Plant in part shade but can be moved to full sun once roots are established. Water regularly during dry months or summer. Avoid overwatering in winter, especially in cold climates. Fertilise with organic fertiliser in spring. | Small | Not Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$63.25 |
| Miracle Fruit (Synsepalum dulcificum) | An evergreen shrub from tropical West Africa, grown for its mild fruits that make subsequently eaten sour foods taste sweet. The plant grows as a dense shrub or small tree, usually not more than 5.5 metres in height. The small white flowers give rise to red drupe fruits that are about 2–3 cm in length. Plants typically begin producing fruit after three or four years and require acidic soil. | Small | Available | \$70.00 |
| Mango 'Kent' (Mangifera indica) | Named cultivar originating from south Florida. Height to 9 meters but prune to contain size. Plant in frost free, warm location. Requires full sun and well-drained, deep soil. | Small | Limited Stock | \$85.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$95.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$105.00 |
| Mango (Mangifera indica) | Unnamed variety. Height to 9 meters but prune to contain size. Plant in frost free, warm location. Requires full sun and well-drained, deep soil. | Medium | Not Available | \$90.00 |
| Jujube (Ziziphus jujuba) | Chinese date. A small deciduous tree or shrub reaching a height of 5–12 metre, usually with thorny branches. The fruit is an edible oval drupe 1.5–3 cm, maturing brown to purplish-black, and eventually wrinkled, looking like a small date. There is a single hard kernel, similar to an olive pit, containing two seeds. | Small | Not Available | \$86.25 |
| Surinam Cherry (Eugenia uniflora) | A shrub growing to 3 m, with glossy dark green leaves. It produces a bright orange or red cherry-sized fruit with a sweet and sometimes slightly sour taste - depending on the time of year. It looks stunning in flower and make a great hedge. They fruit multiple times throughout the year. Grows best in slightly acid soil, full or part sun and with plenty of water. Mildly frost tolerant when established. | Small | Available | \$40.00 |
| Green Sapotee (Pouteria viridis) | Native to the highlands of Ecuador. Grows to 2 - 5 m. The green fruit turns golden when ripe and the orange flesh has a 'melt in your mouth' effect. Frost tender. Good drainage required. | Small | Limited Stock | \$143.75 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$155.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$160.00 |

| Subtropical Fruit Plants | Continued | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
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| Davidson Plum (Davidsonia Pruriens) | Popular bush tucker plant in Australia also known as the Mullumbimby plum. The blue-black plum-like berries are clustered along the main trunk. The fruit is tart, but makes excellent jams, sauces and desserts. Best in partial shade or filtered sunlight. Likes well-drained acidic soils. Needs good watering. Best between 15 and 25 C with good humidity. | Small | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$65.00 |
| Sugar Apple - White (Annona squamosa) | Native to Central America and also known as sweetsops. Flesh is white and sweet. Plant in warm, frost-free location. Roots must not be waterlogged. | Medium | Not Available | \$80.00 |
| Sugar Apple - Purple (Annona squamosa) | Native to Central America and also known as sweetsops. Flesh is white and sweet. Plant in warm, frost-free location. Roots must not be waterlogged. | Small | Limited Stock | \$70.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$80.00 |

| Banana Variety | Description: Edible Honduran varieties and Australian hybrids. These are varieties that have been selectively bred for high disease resistance and exceptional taste. | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
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| Federal Honduras Institute of Agriculture (FHIA) | FHIA bananas are experimental tetraploid bananas originating at the Honduran Agricultural Research Foundation, a government organization based in Honduras, Central America and the world leader in banana breeding. They are not genetically modified but bred conventionally by crossing A and B genotypes to produce high tolerance or resistance to the major pernicious pests plaguing banana plants worldwide. The SH-(four numbers) cultivar designations indicate intermediate steps to the prime varieties, which are then given FHIA numbers and eye-catching marketing names. | | | |
| | There are limited supplies of Hondurian hybrids due to their popularity as a commercial variety. Please contact us if you want to place a back order. | | | |
| High Noon - SH-3640 AAAB ploidy | High Noon is a variety similar to the Honduran variety FHIA-23 and is a superior flavoured dessert banana. The fruiting bunch hangs out at an angle to the pseudostem. Hardy and robust growing to 3.0-3.5m in height. | Small | Limited Stock | \$35.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$40.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$45.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$50.00 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$55.00 |
| Mona Lisa - FHIA-02 AAAA ploidy | FHIA-02 is a dessert Honduran hybrid banana. 3.0 -3.5m in height. Mona Lisa is a vigorous and strong grower with partially red psuedostems. Performs well in New Zealand. Tangy sweet fruit. | Small | Limited Stock | \$50.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$60.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$70.00 |
| | | XL | Limited Stock | \$100.00 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$120.00 |
| Bonanza - FHIA-18 AAAB ploidy | Honduran hybrid banana; 3-3.5m FHIA-18 is marketed in Australia as Bananza. Produces higher quality fruits in sub-tropical - cool temperate conditions. Highly recommended and well suited to growing in NZ. Pups of this variety are all sword sucker like. | Small | Not Available | \$50.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$60.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$70.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$100.00 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$120.00 |
| Goldfinger - FHIA-01 AAAB ploidy | Honduran hybrid banana; 3-4m in height. FHIA_01 marketed in Australia and New Zealand as Goldfinger. Hardy and robust. Very sweet, tangy, curved fruit. Black stems, with broad sometimes wavy leaves. | Small | Limited Stock | \$50.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$60.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$70.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$100.00 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$120.00 |

| Banana Variety | Description: Edible Lady Finger type | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
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| Misi Luki AAB ploidy | The most common lady finger type banana grown in New Zealand and among the tallest. It grows 3 - 5m in height with huge bunches of medium, fat fruit. Sweet creamy flesh once fully ripe otherwise can be hard and mealy. As it ripens the skin thins and becomes prone to bruising and damage to the flesh. Careful handling required when fruit is ripening. | Small | Limited Stock | \$23.00 |
| | | Medium & Pb 6.5 | Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Large | Available | \$34.50 |
| | | XL | Available | \$40.25 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| Rajapuri AAB ploidy | Indian "lady finger" type up to 2.4m in height. Small very sweet tangy flavoured fruit. Also suited for hot house growing. | Small | On Request | \$50.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$60.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$70.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$100.00 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$120.00 |
| Lady Finger | Lady finger type, sourced from Gisborne area but cannot confirm variety. Tall up to 4m in height and great producer of small to medium length, tasty fruit. | Small | On Request | \$23.00 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$34.50 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| Hamoia AAB ploidy | Similar to Misi Luki and not the same variety as "Hua moa" in Hawaii. 4-5m in height. Reliable, thin-skin dessert banana with sweet flavour and soft texture. Large bunches of sweet fruit. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$86.25 |
| Ducasse - Pisang Awak ABB ploidy | A particularly vigorous and hardy banana; 4-5m high, important in Thailand. In subtropical conditions has tightly packed, small bananas with a light wax bloom. Relatively cool-tolerant and vigorous in NZ conditions, relatively productive. Needs extremely good wind protection. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$86.25 |

| Banana Variety | Description: Edible Lady Finger type (continued) | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|---|---|----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Improved Ladyfinger - Pacha Nadan AAB ploidy | 3-4m in height reliable fruit production in cooler climates. Large bunches, piquant flavour, sweet small fruit with thickish skin. Hardy, and productive in Northern NZ. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| Tonga ABB ploidy | 6 m high hardy variety of ladyfinger banana. Rounded sausage like fruit. Relatively cool tolerant in New Zealand conditions, and relatively productive. Needs extremely good shelter from wind. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$69.00 |
| Pome - Australian Lady Finger AAB ploidy | 'Brazilian Tall' 4-5m in height, with sweet sub acid tasting small fruit. Sturdy, vigorous, highly productive, cold hardy and wind tolerant. The fruiting bunch hangs out at an angle to the pseudostem. Fruit shape has pinched end. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| Mysore AAB ploidy | Subtropical vigorous plant; 3 - 4m in height. Widely grown in India as a dessert banana. Easily recognised by the black mardings on the pseudostem, pinkish-purple midribs on leaves. Differs from the common Mysore subtype Misi Luki and has short, plump, sweet-acid bottleneck end fruit. Hardy in Northern NZ. | Small | On Request | \$115.00 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$172.50 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$201.25 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$230.00 |
| Blue Java ABB ploidy | The unripe fruit are a striking silvery blue, slightly angular, turning yellow when ripe. Soft, sweet "ice cream" texture. Very vigorous with bunches that require propping for support. | Small | Limited Stock | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$115.00 |

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| Samoan Large ABB ploidy | Very robust, cold hardy and unlikely to blow over. Smallish bunches of average flavoured fruit. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$74.75 |
| Banana Variety | | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
| Dwarf Orinoco ABB ploidy | A sturdy variety growing to 2 - 3 m. Large angular fruit which can be cooked when green or eaten when fully ripe. | Small | On Request | \$51.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| | | XL | Limited Stock | \$70.00 |
| Hopa Tonga | Hybrid banana endemic to Polynesia. Tall and fast growing. Fruit can be cooked when young and green. Ripe fruit has a bulbous shape and square ends with soft and sweet flesh. | Small | On Request | \$51.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| Hopa Samoa | Hybrid banana endemic to Polynesia. Tall and fast growing. Fruit can be cooked when young and green. Ripe fruit has a bulbous shape and square ends with soft and sweet flesh. | Small | On Request | \$51.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$63.25 |
| | | XL | Limited Stock | \$70.00 |
| Saba ABB ploidy | Banana variety from the Philipines. Short fruit with angular edges. Primarily a cooking banana but can be eaten raw when ripe. | Small | On Request | \$100.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$150.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$200.00 |

| Banana Variety | Description: Edible Cavendish types | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|--|---|----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Cavendish AAA ploidy | Medium size variety 3m in height. Produces large bunches of high-quality fruit. Dense in flavour and sweet which results from growing in a colder climate. | Small | Limited Stock | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$45.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$55.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$65.00 |
| Banana – Williams AAA ploidy | Larger Cavendish type up to 3m in height. Bigger fruit. Very good flavour. This variety requires propping. | Small | Limited Stock | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| Grande Naine "Israel" AAA ploidy | Stocky productive cavendish type plant with larger fruit, developed for commercial plantations in Israel. Intermediate 3-4m in height. Very good flavour. Needs very warm suntrap position to thrive in NZ. Gross feeder. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| Cavendish Dwarf AAA ploidy | Short chunky plant 2.0m in height when fully grown outdoors. Slender curved fruit, tasty. Frost tender, needs shelter and warmth. Most suited to a hothouse. Or makes a good indoor plant in a large container. | Small | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$63.25 |
| Banana Variety | Description: Edible Red Subgroup | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
| Red Dacca - Dwarf Jamaican AAA ploidy | Beautifully pigmented banana with deep red trunk, petioles and midribs. Produces moderately sized bunches with green fruit changing to golden when ripe. Usually eaten raw or can be cooked in their skins. | Small | Not Available | \$230.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$287.50 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$345.00 |
| | | XL | Limited Stock | \$460.00 |

| Other Subtropical Fruits | | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
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| | Pineapple sizes are measured from the top of the pot. Small: 5 - 10 cm Medium: 11 - 20 cm Large: 21 - 40 cm XL: > 40 cm | | | |
| Pineapple (Ananas comosus) | Natal Queen or Rough Common Pineapple is the best eating variety found in New Zealand. It has golden yellow flesh, crisp texture and delicate mild flavour. It is a tropical plant, will grow well in greenhouse or in frost free areas. Best to cover with frost cloth in winter. | Small | Available | \$40.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$50.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$60.00 |
| | | Extra Large | Not Available | \$70.00 |
| | | Large/XL with fruit | Available | \$90.00 |
| Pineapple (Ananas bracteatus) | South American Red or Mountain Pineapple, ripe fruit are edible, but are smaller and less fleshy than commercial pineapples. | Small | On Request | \$35.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$46.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$57.00 |
| Pineapple (Ananas spp.) | Smooth cayenne is the main canning and processing pineapple. A golden yellow fruit with high sugar and acid content. It is suitable for growing in a warm greenhouse or under frost protection. | Small | On Request | \$69.00 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$172.00 |
| Grafted Cherimoya (Annona cherimola) | Peruvian custard apple or Cherimoya. Plant early spring or summer. Prune young trees to a vase shape over the first 3-4 years. Flowering starts October & may continue until February. Fruit ripens over a long period. Harvest when skin turns greenish - cream colour. | | Not Available | |
| | Varieties available: | | Not Available | |
| | Daisy sweet flavoured and heavy cropper over a v long cropping season. Self-fertile up to 1.8kg fruits with high flesh to seed ratio. Growth habit moderate vigour requires pruning to promote branching. Requires free draining which grows best in dappled light. | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Sherbet. Smooth skinned variety with very sweet flesh. | Small | Limited Stock | \$45.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | Wookie, vigorous and quick growing moderately seedy. Very heavy cropping so thinning is essential. Prune to maintain height. | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Perla. A good NZ cropping variety with medium sized flavourful fruit. Mid season fruiting with relatively little seed and delicious light creamy flesh. It can be moderately susceptible to anthracnose. | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | White. has great lemony well balanced flavour with large fruit. Shy to fruit unless side growth is promoted - keep pruned to 3m promote wide angle between branches. Best with underplanting beneath to keep humidity and flowering optimal. | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Reretai Earliest fruiting variety crops best after a few years to develop more fruitful flavour for early variety. Moderate growth rate and requires pruning to encourage horizontal growth. Short horizontal branches to promote fruiting. Horizontal dense foliage down low keeps higher pollination rates. | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |

| Other Subtropical Fruits | Continued | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|--|---|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Grafted Cassimoroa | Also known as white sapote. Grows to 5 m in height. Requires warm, sheltered spot with well-drained soil. Keep well watered and fed. The three grafted high flesh to seed ratio selections available are: | Medium only | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Mac's Gold | | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Yellow | | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | Jason | | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| | Wiki Woo | | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| Giant Asian Guava (Psidium guajava) | Giant Asian Guava (Jamfal) is a productive tree from Asia producing large fruit after 2-3 yrs and eaten fresh or preserved. The fruit is pale green on the exterior with a unique creamy, mild and aromatic flavour. Fruit may weigh up to 1.5kg. Grows to 4m tall. Light pruning is recommended to maintain shape and develop a strong framework. Not available for sale in the Auckland region. | Small | Not Available | \$69.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$115.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$172.50 |
| Tropical Papaya (Red Bisexual 1) | RB 1 is a bisexual pink fleshed hybrid. The fruit is elongated shaped and sweet. Papayas prefer sunny sheltered warm site with good summer rainfall. They are not tolerant of cool climate conditions. Do best in a greenhouse. Ensure soil type is light and well drained. Papayas have male and female flowers on separate trees but there are some bisexual trees. | Small | Not Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| Tropical Papaya (Red Bisexual 4) | RB4 is a dioecious red fleshed hybrid. This is very fast growing will start picking within 8 months after planting out as seedlings under cover. The fruit is oblong with a small teat, and firm pink-red flesh with a mild musk flavour. | Small | Not Available | \$34.50 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| Tropical Papaya (Unknown Variety) | Seedling grown unknown variety | Small | Available | \$20.00 |
| Tropical Papaya (Red Lady, Tai Nung 2) | | Medium | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| Sugar Cane | White perennial sugar cane. Nitrogen fixer. Good companion plant for bananas, helps remove excess soil moisture. Can be cut and chipped as a nitrogen rich mulch/fertiliser. Also is a high metabolizable energy stock food. Makes good fast low shelter for more tender crops. | Small | Not Available | \$17.25 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$23.00 |
| | | Large | Available | \$28.75 |

| Other Subtropical Fruits | Continued | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|---|---|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Passionfruit 'Pandora' (<i>Passiflora edulis</i>) | Seed grown, self pollinating selection that is vigorous and more tropical than the black passionfruit. Fusarium wilt resistant. Fruit is red skinned, large and sweet with a superb flavour. Heavy cropping and can handle some frosts. | Small | Not Available | \$45.00 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$50.00 |
| Passionfruit (<i>Passiflora antioquiensis</i>) | Vanilla passionfruit with red flowers and long, yellow fruit. Sweeter than the black passionfruit. The flowers and fruit hang down on long, thin stems and suit an archway or pergola. | Small | On Request | \$35.00 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$40.00 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$45.00 |
| Pawpaw (<i>Carica pubescens</i>) similar to <i>Vasconcellea</i> | Rainbow Valley Pawpaw. A cross between a Mountain Pawpaw and a Babaco. Has sweet small pawpaw fruit can be eaten raw or stewed, in jams, sauces or pies. Selection by Joe Polaischer of Rainbow Valley Farm, Matakana. | Small | Not Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Medium | On Request | \$40.25 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$51.75 |
| Other Fruiting Plants | | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
| Fig Grosse - Longue Verte | Large torpedo shaped fig. Green on the outside and redish pink inside. Keep pruned to 2 m for ease of picking. Keep well watered when fruiting. | Small | Available | \$25.00 |
| Other Subtropical Edibles | | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
| Turmeric (<i>Curcuma longa</i>) | Flowering plant in the ginger family, used in cooking. | Medium | On Request | \$28.75 |
| Ginger (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>) | Edible ginger. Subtropical/Tropical perennial, grown as an annual. Needs temperatures above 18 for growth. Plant in part shade to full sun in fertile well draining soil with pH 5.5 – 6.5. | Medium | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| Arrowroot (<i>Canna edulis</i>) | Appearance similar to a large leaved lilly. Easy to plant and easy to grow from rhizomes. | Small | Not Available | \$28.75 |
| | | Medium | Available | \$40.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| Vietnamese Mint | Vietnamese coriander or Laksa leaf mint. | Small | On Request | \$17.25 |
| Taro (Phillipines) | Edible taro. | Medium | On Request | \$28.75 |
| Taro (Pacific) | Edible taro | Medium | On Request | \$28.75 |
| Taro (Japanese) | Edible taro. | Small | On Request | \$23.00 |
| Taro (Japanese) | Edible taro. | Medium | On Request | \$28.75 |

| Subtropical Ornamental | Description: Musa | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|------------------------------|--|----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Musa basjoo | Japanese fibre banana. Cold hardy survives down to -20 C when heavily mulched around base and underground corm. Large graceful leaves up to 4 - 5 meters in height. Beautiful specimen plants. The fruit are small and seedy, but edible once seeds removed. | Small | On Request | \$28.75 |
| | | Medium | Not Available | \$40.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$51.75 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Speciman | Not Available | \$86.25 |
| Musa sikkimensis 'Red Tiger' | Ornamental species, inedible fruit 4m in height. Hardy and particularly wind tolerant. Handsome red-splashed juvenile leaves. | Small | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Medium | On Request | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Limited Stock | \$143.75 |
| | | Specimen | Not Available | \$172.50 |
| Musa coccinea | Ornamental banana which has very bright scarlet flowers for several months of the year. Slender and delicate growth habit, grows to a height of 2m. | Small | Not Available | \$70.77 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$143.75 |
| Musa zebrina | The blood banana with green leaves splashed with jagged patches of mahogany red. A slender delicate 2m plant. Requires full shelter and dappled light, thrives only in warm conditions. | Small | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$143.75 |
| Musa mannii | Indian dwarf ornamental flowering banana. Hardy with colourful pink bell. | Small | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$143.75 |

| Subtropical Ornamental | Description: Musa (continued) | Grade | Availability | Retail Price inc. GST |
|--|--|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Musa velutina | Frost tender beautiful in a warm garden. Vivid pink upright flowers & velvety hirsute inedible fruit. Small up to 1.8m, ornamental, hardy. | Small | On Request | \$57.50 |
| | | Medium | On Request | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Not Available | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$143.75 |
| Musa ornata | Plants grow to a height 1.5 to 3.0 m. The plants have green/blue foliage. The leaves can grow to 1.8 m long, and can be used for tropical cut flower arrangements. It produces pink flowers with dark pink inedible fruit. | Small | Not Available | \$57.50 |
| | | Medium | Limited Stock | \$86.25 |
| | | Large | Limited Stock | \$115.00 |
| | | XL | Not Available | \$143.75 |
| Golden lotus banana (Musella lasiocarpa) | Also known as Chinese dwarf banana. Grows to 1.5 m with yellow flower after 2 or 3 years. Cold tolerant but protect from frost. Keep dry in winter but water well during the growing season. | Large | Limited Stock | \$40.00 |