



Betula pendula

Common Name(s):

silver birch

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Terrestrial.

Features:

Tree with semi-drooping habit to about 25 m. Bark smooth at first, silvery white and peppery, becoming dark grey and rough. Deltoid leaves to about 6 cm long with 5-7 pairs of veins and serrate margins. Male catkins up to 9 cm long; female catkins to about 2.5 cm, papery when ripe and separate into large numbers of winged seeds, wind-carried.

Flowering:

September, October, November

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=3513



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