



Howea belmoreana

Common Name(s):

kentia palm, howea

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

In New Zealand - the less commonly cultivated of the two *Howea* species (known as Kentia Palms in the Horticultural Trade). Usually found in old gardens or parks, as isolated trees. Most fruit is harvested by people before it matures.

Flowering:

October - December

Fruiting:

Year Round

References and further reading:

Johnson, A. T. and Smith, H. A (1986). *Plant Names Simplified: Their pronunciation, derivation and meaning.* Landsman Bookshop Ltd: Buckenhill, UK.

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=4389



Caption: Upper Trunk.

Photographer: Peter de Lange, May 2007, Alberon Park, Auckland



Caption: Adult fruiting tree. N/b distinctly arching fronds

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