Insert as an Additional Taxa For *Callistemon citrinus*.

*Leptospermum scoparium* J.R. Forster & J.G.A. Forster  
*New Zealand Tea Tree*  
(*Leptospermum bullatum, Leptospermum floribundum, Leptospermum squarrosum*)

C *Leptospermum scoparium* is also known as Broom Tea Tree, Manuka, New Zealand Tea, Tea Shrub, or Tea Tree; the evergreen aromatic foliage of this member of the family Myrtaceae consists of small, $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ long, linear-lanceolate leaves held stiffly in an alternating radial fashion on fine textured rigid twigs; plants have an irregularly rounded to upright oval habit of variable size from 3 to 10 tall depending upon the cultivar and growing conditions; the main ornamental assets are the $\frac{1}{2}$ diameter single or double axillary flowers; petals are in multiples of five; white, pink, to red colored flowers are possible, but the red to pink-red selections predominate in the U.S. trade.

C New Zealand Tea Tree is frequently grown in California gardens where it is valued for its drought, wind, and salt tolerance; although it is often available at nurseries in flower from winter to spring in Texas, it generally does not fair well here; plants are not particularly cold tolerant, being cold hardy only in USDA zones 9b(9a) to 11 and tend to suffer under high humidity and in high pH soils with less than perfect drainage; although thousands of shrubs are sold each year, very few mature shrubs can found in our region.

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