

New Zealand Hops Ltd

Grower Owned Co-operative



ABOUT US

New Zealand Hops is a Nelson-based contemporary grower co-operative with core business values founded on collective sustainability, innovative research, creative technologies and modern operational capability. Hops have been grown in the region for more than 150 years and co-ordination of the industry was facilitated with the inception of the New Zealand Hop Marketing Board in 1939.

The company has supported a professional plant-breeding programme since the 1950s and, in 1972, New Zealand became the first country in the world to commercially produce hops from triploid hop cultivars in response to international brewers' demand for seedless hops. New Zealand hops Ltd continues on from this rich heritage with core business values founded on collective sustainability, innovative research, creative technologies and modern operational capability. With 18 Members, the co-op exports 85% of its harvest to over 30 countries world-wide.

HARVESTED FOR PERFECTION

[2016 Hop Harvest Report](#)

New Zealand hops are harvested in late February and March of each year. During drying, hot water radiators are the source of heat, thereby ensuring the hops stay free from any contamination by exhaust gases. The dried hops are pelleted at our own facility near Nelson and hop extracts are produced at a neighbouring modern supercritical CO₂ extraction facility, [Pharmalink Extract Ltd](#), situated adjacent to the hop pelleting plant. Quality and safety is assured throughout every stage of production via an auditable on farm GAP certification programme and cold storage and processing under ISO (9001-2008) quality and HACCP systems.



THE ENVIRONMENTALLY PURE DIFFERENCE



Pure New Zealand Hops are grown in our regions' pristine river valleys and plain's under a low impact, integrated pest management system to produce certified spray free hops. New Zealand Hops Ltd can offer a range of completely organically produced and certified hops. Innovation in hop breeding, chemistry and analysis continues through our research partners, [New Zealand Plant and Food Research](#) and in collaboration with the New Zealand Hop Research Committee.

HOPS & HOP PRODUCTS

We currently offer [sixteen](#) unique New Zealand-developed triploid cultivars as well as a number of plantings of some new world and traditional northern cultivars.

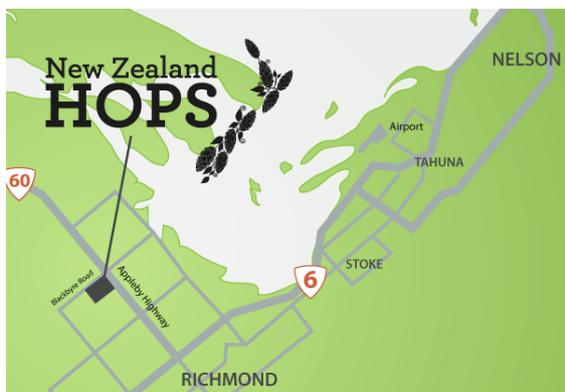
All are available in various pack sizes as whole cone, type 90 pellets and Supercritical CO₂ Extract.



RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

New Zealand hops has worked closely with [Plant & Food Research](#) (formerly Hort Research) on a plant breeding programme for more than 50 years. The programme is managed by Dr Ron A. Beatson at the New Zealand Hop Research Centre at Riwaka, Nelson Province.

The plant breeding work carried out at Riwaka under Dr Beatson's direction has been recognised by brewers and other industry experts from many parts of the world. They have brought interesting and new varieties to the brewing world and continue to do so at the present time. Dr Beatson's work has produced hop varieties with high alpha acid, and with retained aroma qualities found to be very acceptable by many brewing companies, as well as new triploid lines derived directly from the European Hallertau and Saaz type hops



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