

## Apprentice positions with Blue Mountain Nurseries Tapanui.

Blue Mountain Nurseries are a wholesale and retail nursery based in Tapanui, West Otago New Zealand. With a passion for plants since 1932, the nursery produces over 7,000 varieties of plants and specializes in the propagation and growing on of hardy trees and shrubs, rhododendrons, azaleas, conifers, climbers, natives, perennials and pleione orchids. Our plants sell to nurseries, parks, landscapers, garden centres and gardeners throughout New Zealand. Blue Mountain Nurseries is committed to education and recognizing skills and has taken an active part in learning programmes through the Primary Industry Training Organisation for many years.

We have an opening for two apprentices to work and learn towards a nationally recognized qualification; the National Certificate of Horticulture (Nursery Production). You will learn on-the-job, get paid, learn new skills and become qualified with a mix of on-the-job training and classroom learning.

As an Apprentice with Blue Mountain Nurseries, you will:

- learn and receive training from our skilled staff across all areas of Nursery Production to be awarded with the National Certificate in Horticulture (Practical) Level 1 and the National Certificate in Horticulture (Nursery Production) Level 4
- attend all courses that are part of the apprenticeship, including block courses, evening courses and day release classes. These may be offered by a polytechnic or other education provider(s)
- complete off-the-job assessments that are part of the polytechnic or private training establishment courses
- complete on-the-job assessments with a registered workplace assessor.

This is a rare and valuable opportunity for the right candidate. It is also a big commitment for a workplace and all the staff who will support you and train and assess you. We are seeking someone with equal commitment, a quest for knowledge and a desire to learn. If you think you have what it takes, fill out the application form at <u>www.bmn.co.nz</u> and email it to <u>rebecca@bmn.co.nz</u> or phone 03-2048250 and ask to speak with the General Manager, Chris Hughes. Applications close June 5 2020.