

Common Name/*Scientific name*

**Lewin's Honeyeater/ *Meliphaga lewinii***



**Description:** A small to medium sized honeyeater about 200mm, coloured greenish grey with creamy white-yellow corners of the mouth and large, yellowish crescent-shaped ear patches, black bill and blue-grey eyes. Similar appearance in both sexes and young.

**Behaviour in the gardens:** Birds are normally seen alone, but may form loose groups of four-six birds.

**Feeding:** Mostly feed on fruits, favouring berries and small fruits, also nectar and insects. They mostly feed in the upper parts of trees.

**Nesting:** The nest is a large cup of vegetation and other materials, bound together with spider web and lined with soft material. The eggs are oval in shape.

**Where seen in the gardens:** Mainly in wetter forest areas along creeks, but does wander out into more open forest areas in search of food.

**Similar Species:**