

Callistemon Summer Days™ Callistemon nyallingensis

Its always good when plants choose to do something out of the ordinary. Quirky? Maybe. Opportunistic? More than likely. Summer Days™ is unusual on several counts. With an arching habit, the dark wine-red brushes are held out on the ends of the branches, begging honeyeaters to drop by for a feed. Its lovely to watch a Spinebill swaying gently on the flower. Even better, flowering time is generally much later than most Callistemons, right into summer, and thereby extending the mutually beneficial pollination-by-birds timeframe. Adaptable to very wet or moderately dry soils, in cold to sub tropical climates, its frost hardy, likes full sun, suits a coastal garden and works well in any mixed shrubbery of one to two metres in height. A foliage trim after flowering will double the display each year, and heavier clipping produces a very nice hedge.



Quick Info:

Genus/Species:

Callistemon nyallingensis

Cultivar Name: Summer Days

Habit: Small arching late and free flowering shrub

Plant Type: Small Shrub

Height (m): 50-100cm

Width (m): none

Frost Tolerance: High

Growth Rate: Medium

Position: Full Sun to Part Shade

Flower Information:

Late flowering purple-red brushes in late spring -

summer

Foliage Information: Dense narrow leaves with red

new growth

Cultivation: Moist clay loam or sandy soils neutral

to acid pH

Fertiliser: Low P required at around 1.6 %

Climate: Cool temperate to sub tropical; 2nd line

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Maintenance: Prune to shape if required

