

## *Grevillea pimeleoides*



### Description

This grevillea is from the jarrah-marri forests of the Darling Range. It has attractive bright green foliage, attains a height of 2 m and is recommended as a plant suitable for growing under the canopy of mature eucalyptus trees. It is classed as a priority species for conservation in the wild.

### Flowers

These appear from winter to spring and are bright yellow. The flowers provide a delightful contrast to the foliage and are very attractive to nectar-loving birds. As they age they develop orange-red tips.

### Growing conditions

This plant prefers a sunny or semi-shaded well-drained site although it can tolerate wet (but not water-logged) conditions and some frosts. It is not suitable for alkaline soils—a neutral to acid soil is required.

### Watering

Establish the plant by watering well initially and ensuring that until established it does not dry out. In summer *G. pimeleoides* needs the soil at the lower root zone to be kept damp although the upper soil can be quite dry. This requires that water be carefully applied. Water only at roots, not overhead.

### Pruning

Light tip pruning during establishment will help develop a good dense form with light pruning after flowering also recommended, depending on the gardener's preference.

### Fertiliser

Apply slow-release, native-blend fertiliser at time of planting and annually as required in the spring months.

### Pests and diseases

Grevilleas in general may be susceptible to 'dieback' (the soil-borne disease caused by the organism *Phytophthora cinnamomi*). The best means of minimising the possibility of infection is to source plants from registered suppliers and to plant in free-draining soil.



### Miscellaneous

This attractive grevillea is recommended for growing as a large specimen shrub or for screening in the eastern suburbs of the Perth Metropolitan area.

### Further Information

*Gardening Advisory Service*, a free service provided by Kings Park Volunteer Master Gardeners.  
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