

Grevillea preissii subsp. *glabrilimba*



NATIVE PLANT NOTES

Description

This green/grey soft-foliaged compact, medium shrub grows to a height of 0.7 m and width of 1.2 m. Well suited to mass planting it makes an ideal border and is a must for any home garden.

Flowers

In the wild this *Grevillea* flowers mainly from July to September but in gardens it can flower intermittently through the year. The bright red flowers attract small nectar-seeking birds.

Growing conditions

As a limestone-lover, particularly suited to exposed coastal influences, this species can also adapt to any free-draining soil. For best results plant in full sun in autumn or winter.

Watering

Once established, this *Grevillea* species is tolerant of dry spells of weather. For optimum floral display, it is best watered at the base of the plant once a week.

Open mulch will help to conserve moisture.

Pruning

The natural habit of this plant is compact and it can be encouraged to be more compact by regular light pruning.

Fertiliser

Apply slow release native blend 8–9 month fertiliser at time of planting and annually as required in the spring months.

Pests and diseases

Grevilleas can be susceptible to scale and dieback (the soil-borne organism *Phytophthora cinnamomi*).

Miscellaneous

This *Grevillea* can adapt to semi-shade positions as an under-storey plant amongst open eucalypt canopy. It is best replaced every 5 years when the shrub starts to lose its density and ability to flower abundantly.



Further Information

Gardening Advisory Service, a free service provided by Kings Park Volunteer Master Gardeners.
Phone: (08) 9480 3672 or Email: garden.advice@bgpa.wa.gov.au.

Pest and Diseases Information Service, Department of Agriculture and Food.
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