



Bracelet Honey Myrtle

Melaleuca armillaris

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 8b

Description:

This dense, fast growing large shrub or small tree makes a unique addition to the landscape with its fine, light green, needle-like foliage; elegant white bottlebrush flowers appear in spring and summer; extremely tough and drought tolerant

Ornamental Features

Bracelet Honey Myrtle features showy clusters of white catkins at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has attractive light green evergreen foliage. The small needles are highly ornamental and remain light green throughout the winter. The peeling gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Bracelet Honey Myrtle is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds, bees and hummingbirds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Self-Seeding



Bracelet Honey Myrtle
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Bracelet Honey Myrtle foliage
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Bracelet Honey Myrtle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Windbreaks and Shelterbelts
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Bracelet Honey Myrtle will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.

Bracelet Honey Myrtle is a fine choice for the yard, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.



Bracelet Honey Myrtle bark
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