



## **Aftershock Agonis**

*Agonis flexuosa* 'AF09'

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Other Names: Red Peppermint Bush; Willow Myrtle

### **Description:**

A vigorous, compact selection, with lime to yellow-green emerging leaves that mature to a deep maroon, providing a striking contrast to the white flowers with burgundy centers that appear in spring; makes a wonderful accent, screen, or container subject

### **Ornamental Features**

Aftershock Agonis is bathed in stunning clusters of white flowers with burgundy centers at the ends of the branches from mid spring to mid summer. It has attractive lime green-variegated burgundy foliage with hints of purple which emerges chartreuse in spring. The fragrant narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain burgundy throughout the winter. The tan bark and coral-pink branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

### **Landscape Attributes**

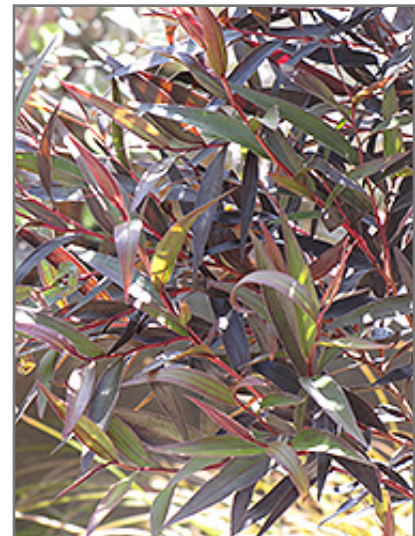
Aftershock Agonis is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Aftershock Agonis is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Aftershock Agonis*  
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*Aftershock Agonis foliage*  
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- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Aftershock Agonis will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Aftershock Agonis makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants 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.