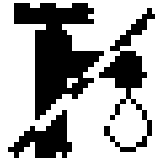


Dwarf Little John Bottlebrush



A great small Bottlebrush for massing or as a foundation plant.

Calistemon citrinus 'Little John'

- **Use:** An evergreen small shrub that forms a 3 feet high and 3 feet wide rounded mound with narrow 3 inch long bluish gray-green leaves and flowers of blood red bristle stamens that appear throughout the year, but peak bloom time is early summer through fall.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to light shade. Is drought tolerant in coastal gardens but tolerates and performs best with some irrigation.
- Fertilize and prune for maximum flower show. Regular pruning is not necessary. If you do prune, immediately after flowering is best. Reportedly gets chlorotic in overly wet soils but responds to chelated iron fertilizers.
- **Growth:** Upright form to 3 feet tall, to 3 feet wide.
- **Hardiness:** 8-10(possibly to zone 7), Shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen, alternate, simple, 1" to 3" long and less than an inch wide. Stems continues to grow after the flowers and seed capsules, so they are not necessarily at the terminal. So there will be foliage, flower or seed capsules and then foliage again.
- **Flower:** Red bottle-brush-shaped flowers appear in late spring through summer. After bloom the Bottlebrush will have button-like seed capsules.