

FACT SHEET

CALLISTEMON SALIGNUS | 'WILLOW BOTTLEBRUSH'



Origin: Qld and NSW

Habit: Large shrub or small tree to reaching 6-8 metres over 15 years, and a width of <5m.

Description: Leaves bright green, narrow and tapering at both ends 6-9cm long, 0.5-1.5cm wide, new foliage growth is bright purple/pink. Flowers vary from creamy white to deep red bottle brushes 4-5cm long, 3-3.5 cm wide appearing in spring to summer. The trunks are also attractive, paper-barked, and typically a mix of cream and tan.

Tolerances: Water logging and moderately drought tolerant.

Notes: Will grow up to 1200mm per year and form an excellent weeping canopy within 5 years.

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