Shark Bay Boronia

Boronia crenulata 'Shark Bay'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9

Other Names: Aniseed Boronia

Description:

An easy to grow dwarf shrub with glossy, dense green leaves that have a licorice scent; pink, star shaped flowers bloom year round, heaviest in late winter to spring; great for containers; prefers partial shade

Ornamental Features

Shark Bay Boronia is bathed in stunning pink star-shaped flowers along the branches from late winter to early winter. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage. The small fragrant round leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Shark Bay Boronia is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and may require the occasional pruning to look its best. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Shark Bay Boronia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Shark Bay Boronia flowers
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Shark Bay Boronia in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Shark Bay Boronia will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Shark Bay Boronia makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use 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.