Marshall Olbrich Grevillea

Grevillea victoriae 'Marshall Olbrich'



Marshall Olbrich Grevillea flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 7

Other Names: Royal Grevillea

Description:

A superior, hardy selection with a bushy form; silky gray, upright branches clothed in narrow, silvery-green leaves; scarlet-orange, spidery flower clusters appear from fall to late winter; drought tolerant once established

Ornamental Features

Marshall Olbrich Grevillea features delicate clusters of scarlet spider-like flowers with orange overtones at the ends of the branches from early fall to late winter. It has attractive grayish green foliage with hints of silver which emerges light green in spring. The narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Marshall Olbrich Grevillea is an open 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees, butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Marshall Olbrich Grevillea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Marshall Olbrich Grevillea will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 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 fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for poor, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.