# Pine-leaved Bottlebrush

***Callistemon pinifolius***

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9

Other Names: Pineleaf Bottlebrush

**Description:**

Identified by its very narrow, needle-like leaves, this distinctive selection features either lime-green or coral red bottlebrush blooms in spring and summer; may be low and spreading or upright and open; keep tidy with regular pruning

**Ornamental Features**

Pine-leaved Bottlebrush features showy spikes of red catkins with lime green overtones at the ends of the branches from early spring to mid summer. It has attractive grayish green foliage with hints of silver. The small fragrant needles are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

**Landscape Attributes**

Pine-leaved Bottlebrush is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pine-leaved Bottlebrush is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Pine-leaved Bottlebrush*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*



*Pine-leaved Bottlebrush fruit*
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- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



*Pine-leaved Bottlebrush flowers*
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**Planting & Growing**

Pine-leaved Bottlebrush will grow to be about 6 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 approximately 30 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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.

Pine-leaved Bottlebrush 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.