

Callistemon

Callistemon (*Myrtaceae*)

Genus comprising numerous species of evergreen shrubs and trees native to Australia which have an extraordinary elective affinity with our species of the Myrtaceae family. They have become popular in Europe because of the spectacular flowers in axillary spikes, which look like bottle brushes. Can be grown outside in all flat areas of Southern Central Italy, and in climates of that type. In colder areas they can be grown in pots which can be put under cover in winter, giving plenty of water during the flowering period, little in winter. Requires moist, well drained soil, not calcareous. Withstands pruning, drought and is tolerant of maritime exposure. Easy to grow in pots.



citrinus (lanceolatus)

Upright habit with long branches which are weeping at the ends. Long, lanceolate, narrow, dark green leaves. Bright crimson flowers in June-July, followed by fruit in small, ligneous capsules. 2-4 mt high.

citrinus "White Anzac"

White flowers. 2-4 mt high.



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laevis

Arching branches and large leaves which are reddish-bronze when they appear, later greyish-green. Flowers in May-June with a second flowering in September-October.

masotti "Mini Red"

Abundant flowering. Red flowers.



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viminalis "Hot Pink"

Delicate pink flowers. 2 mt high.

viminalis "Little John"

Dwarf, rarely over 0.80 mt high.
Pink flowers.

