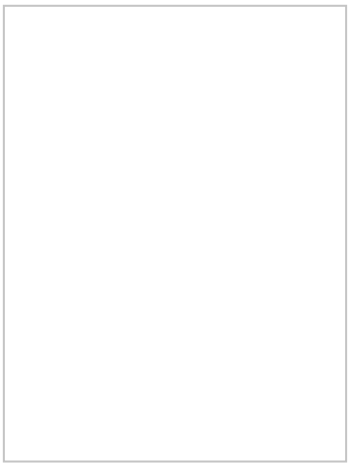
Brush cherry



Syzygium australe (=Eugenia myrtifolia, old name in italian market), with manyï common namesï that includeï brush cherry, is aï rainforestï tree native to easternï Australia. It can attain a height of up to 35 m with a trunk diameter of 60ï cm. In cultivation, this species is usually a small to medium-sized tree with a maximum height of only 18m.
Theï leavesï are opposite, simple, lanceolate from 4 8ï cm long.ï Flowersï are white and in clusters. The dark pink to redï fruitsï are edible.
This species is commonly confused withï magenta cherryï and theï blue lilly pilly. However, the brush cherry has a paler trunk. The species occurs in coastal regions in Queensland and New South Wales, northwards fromï Batemans Bay.ï
Brush cherry is commonly cultivated in gardens, are especially popular as hedges.ï The pleasantly sour fruit are also eaten fresh or cooked. The fruit can be used to makeï jamsï and jellies.
it's a quite rustic plant and withstands the cold without problems; in the coldest periods of the year, in fact, we don't have to worry about minimum temperatures; it can withstand a temperature of a few degrees below zero: it can withstand up to 5 ï C, as long as in a sunny place and protected from cold winds. Alternatively, it can be grown in large pots amd kept indoor.
It loves the luminous places, but not to be exposed to direct rays: it only needs a few hours a day of sunshine.
It prefers a fertile, light, well-drained substratum. It is fertilized in the fall and spring with an organic or slow-release product and it need to be well watered in the warm periods but still being careful not to get water stagnation on the roots.
To obtain a florid development it is important to remember to periodically fertilize our shrubs ; in spring we use a rich in nitrogen and potassium fertilizer, which will favor the development of new foliage and flowers. We can intervene at the end of winter by mixing the soil around the plant with a good dose of organic fertilizer or slow release chemical fertilizer. During the spring it is recommended to intervene periodically, with liquid or powder fertilizers, to be added to the water for watering, every 20-25 days.
Remember that to stimulate the development of new foliage it is advisable to slightly shorten all the branches of the plant, so as to remove the dry leaves and favor the development of shoots.

Category: Outdoor foliage plants
Families: Myrtaceae
Genus: Eugenia
Species: myrtifolia "New Port"
Geographical Area of Origin: Oceania
Climatic Zones: Mediterranean: South and islands, hills. USDA 10 a
Habit: Shrub
Leaves: Evergreen
Colore Foglie: Verde ï Arancione
Flowering Period: Luglio / Agosto / Settembre
Flower: Panicle
Colore Fiori: Giallo
Favorite soil: Sub-acid / medium acid / Neutral / Middle-Dough / Medium soil
Water needs: Medium
Light Exposure: Medium shade / Half shade / Full light / Full sun

Form: Pyramid / Grown as shrub / bush / Column
Colore Frutti: Rosso 