Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea

Grevillea 'Spirit of ANZAC'



Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Other Names: RSL Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea

Description:

A vigorous selection with an upright, airy form; grows well in most well drained soils; plentiful, scarlet spidery flower clusters emerge nearly year round and are good for cutting; finely dissected, ferny gray-green foliage adds great texture

Ornamental Features

Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea features showy clusters of scarlet spider-like flowers with orange overtones at the ends of the branches from mid winter to late fall, which emerge from distinctive white flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive grayish green foliage with hints of silver which emerges chartreuse in spring. The deeply cut ferny leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.



Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea in bloom
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Landscape Attributes

Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea 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 birds and butterflies 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.

Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Spirit of ANZAC Grevillea will grow to be about 10 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. This plant will benefit from an application of bonemeal and/or mycorrhizal fertilizer at the time of planting. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.