

Botanical Name: Leptospermum scoparium 'Ruby Glow'

Common Name: New Zealand tea tree

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright, many branched, forming a fairly dense, rounded
shrub if unpruned--easily developed into tree form with pruning, canopy
becomes loose

Height 5-10' Spread equal + Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full/partial sun

Soil well-drained soil required

Hardiness prefers warmth, some frost (zones 14-24)

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, alternate, linear-lanceolate, tiny (1/4-1/2" long)
stiff, dull green

Flowers showy, reddish, terminal/axillary clusters, profuse, 1/2-
3/4" across -- January to May

Fruit tiny woody capsule

Propagation: seed, semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: medium/large filler; used for fine textured foliage, heavy
flower display; open, loose branch structure; informal mass plantings,
developed into small accent tree; form, color, foliage, container tree

Landscape Care:

Watering regular until established, then prefers deep soak

Fertilizing balanced in spring -- watch for chlorosis

Pruning occasionally thin out deadwood--DO NOT SHEAR

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: New Zealand Family: Myrtaceae