

Willow Myrtle

Agonis flexuosa



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Description

Typical height:
6-8 metres

Typical width:
5-7 metres

Growth rate:
Moderate

Typical form:
Broad domed, similar to willow.

Origin

South Western,
West Australia

Characteristics

Evergreen tree. Branchlets pendulous, fine foliage. White flowers in spring and summer. Woody capsules clustered together. Bark grey or dark-brown, rough, fibrous and furrowed. Leaves with a peppermint odour when crushed.

Tolerances

High drought and wind.
Low waterlogging.

Facts and Trivia

Derived from Greek agon – a gathering, referring to the number of fruits and seeds. Flexuosa is Latin for “full of bends”, referring to branchlet shape which zigzag at each leaf node.

Known as ‘Wannang’ to the Noongar people of South Western, West Australia who used its leaves as an antiseptic.