# Slim™ Bottlebrush

***Callistemon viminalis 'CV01'***



*Slim Bottlebrush flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8b

**Description:**

A slender, upright variety that makes a great hedge in a tight space; its narrow, light gray-green foliage, gives it a soft appearance; a heavy bloomer, covered in red bottlebrush flowers in spring and early summer; high resistance to myrtle rust disease

**Ornamental Features**

Slim Bottlebrush features showy spikes of red catkins at the ends of the branches from early spring to early summer. It has attractive grayish green evergreen foliage. The fragrant narrow leaves are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter. The shaggy gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.



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**Landscape Attributes**

Slim Bottlebrush is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a narrowly upright and columnar growth habit. 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 is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Slim Bottlebrush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

**Planting & Growing**

Slim Bottlebrush will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Slim Bottlebrush makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.