



Botanical Name: Justicia carnea

Common Name: Brazilian Plume, Flamingo Plant, Kings Crown.

Origin: South America

Height/Width: 2m x 1m

Habit: Loose perennial shrub

Flower: Showy spikes of rich pink flowers borne in summer and autumn.

Leaves: Large deep green leaves that have deep crinkly veins and are sometimes hairy.

Climate: Warm temperate to tropical.

Soil: Fertile moist, well-drained soil

Aspect: Shade to Semi-shade. Wind tolerant.

Prune: Light prune to remove spindly stems during the growing season. Also a hard prune, (can be cut to 100mm from the ground) in late winter to promote a compact form.

Drought/Frost: Moderate/Tender

Propagation: By layering, semi-hardwood cuttings or seeds.

NOTE: There is a white flowered form. There is a yellow flowered Justicia aurea which is very similar in looks and requirements to Justicia carnea.