



Botanical Name: Mackaya bella syn *Asystasia bella*

Common Name: Forest Bell Bush, River Bell

Origin: South Africa

Height/Width: 2-3m x 1.5-2.5m

Habit: Evergreen and upright shrub, good choice for hedge in shaded spot. May sucker.

Flower: Racemes of large, bell-like pale lilac flowers from October to early November. Blooms have deeper coloured veins and the more shade the bluer the colour.

Leaves: Glossy, wavy-edged oval leaves with sparsely toothed margins. Leaves are arranged in opposite pairs

Climate: Wind sensitive, sheltered

Soil: .Well drained

Aspect. Thrives in deep shade in a sheltered position. Can tolerate full sun but requires a lot of water.

Prune: After flowering to maintain compact shape.

Drought/Frost: Low/Tender

Propagation: Via layered stems, is known to self-seed.