

Ramm Botanicals Plant Information

Bush Gems® kangaroo paws



Bush Pearl -
a favourite!

Bush Gems kangaroo paws have developed a reputation for excellent flowering performance, much improved disease tolerance and compact heights. Following these basic planting and plant care tips should give you many years of enjoyment.*

**The one exception to this is Bush Dance. It's a spectacular example of the iconic red/green kangaroo paw, however, the species *manglesii* is relatively short lived.*

The Anigozanthos breeding program, started by Merv Turner back in the 1970s, was carried on by his then apprentice, Angus Stewart and then, back in 2002, Ramm Botanicals reignited breeding efforts with Angus. The program has developed many outstanding cultivars including the famous Bush Pearl, the bold yellow of Bush Bonanza and the sumptuous dark magenta tones of Bush Pizzazz. Kangaroo paws add interest to all garden styles, not just native settings. Try them in pots and multi-plant them in garden beds for an outstanding floral show.



Bush Bonanza

Planting

Plant in full or part sun position with well drained soils. If drainage is poor, such as in most clay soils, break down the clay with gypsum or build up the bed to provide good drainage.

Watering

Anigozanthos are very drought hardy, however, extra irrigation at the time of flower bud formation will benefit flowering performance. It's best to keep the plant moist in dry conditions to encourage new growth, especially when planted in pots.

Fertiliser

Anigozanthos are not especially phosphorus sensitive, so you needn't necessarily have to use a native plant fertiliser. Feed in autumn and spring with controlled release fertiliser to promote good plant health.

Pruning

Cut old flowering stems back to their base to tidy up the plant and encourage repeat flowering. You can cut the whole plant back to just above ground level. New shoots will appear from underground rhizomes. Older plants will benefit by the annual removal of any damaged leaves. Protect from heavy frost.

Pests and Diseases

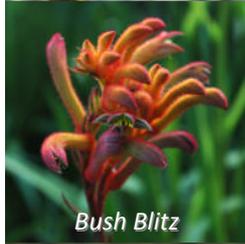
Snails and slugs are the most common pest. See your plant stockist for products to control them. Anigozanthos can be affected by rust or ink spot disease. The latter can be caused by pests which damage plant tissue. Anigozanthos naturally exude an inky fluid in response. Remove any badly affected leaves.



Bush Blitz -
well named!



Bush Tenacity



Bush Blitz



Bush Pearl



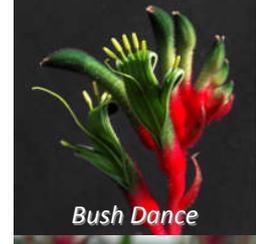
Bush Ballad



Bush Elegance



Bush Diamond



Bush Dance



Bush Inferno



Bush Pizzazz

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