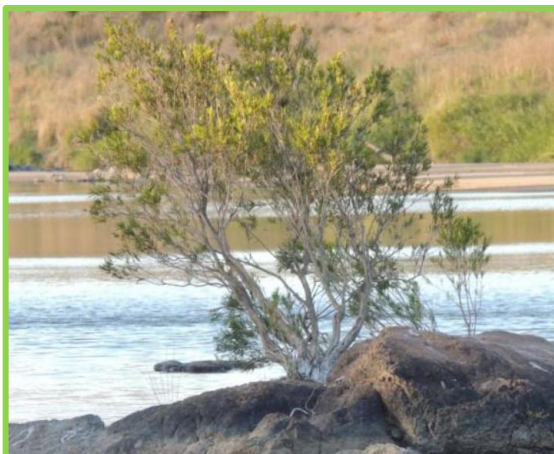




Callistemon sieberi

River Bottlebrush



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(Seeds of South Australia)

Form: *Medium shrub* **Height:** *1 – 2 m* **Spread:** *1 – 1.5 m* **Flowers:** *Cream, Yellow* **Type:** *Bottlebrush* **Flowering time:** *Spring, Autumn*

Ecological functions:



Soils: *clay or loam; neutral*

Germination rate: *3 to 4 weeks*

Seed collecting: use secateurs to cut mature fruits. Let dry on clean surface. When seed is released, use a screen to clean.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: brush aside large bark particles and sow on top of damp soil. Cover with a sparse layer of gravel. Sow in late Spring-Summer. Keep seedlings moist and use liquid fertiliser (Maxicrop, Thrive or Aquasol).

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: moderate

Uses: for higher rainfall areas of the Adelaide Plains and hills. Planted singly as a background in mixed plantings or en-mass as a barrier or informal hedge.

Notes: do not plant closer than 3.5 m to any sewer main or connection. Grows from cuttings.