

Cultural Information- Brunfelsia
(brun-FELZ-ee-uh)

Hardy to Zone 10 and higher for outdoors.
Full or partial sun, grows to 1-3' in container, minimum temperature 50°, intermittent bloomer.

<u>Light:</u>	Full to partial sun, a southern, eastern or western exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain temperatures above 50°. Brunfelsia jamaicensis prefers it warmer; above 60°.
<u>Humidity:</u>	It's preferable to grow them at 50% or higher; however, they can tolerate lower levels with no harm.
<u>Watering:</u>	Bring the soil to a state of visual dryness between watering. It is better to grow them a little on the dry side using a clay pot and be sure not to over pot them. The best flowering occurs on woody lateral growth and restriction in the root system and a slightly more dry root environment will facilitate this.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Fertilize every two weeks at ½ tsp of fertilizer per gallon of water. Use a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a blooming fertilizer like Dyna-Gro Liquid Grow Plant Food 7-9-5. Reduce the frequency during the winter months.
<u>Pruning:</u>	With Brunfelsia australis, prune back the upward growing stems to encourage lateral growth, as it is this growth that the flowers form on most freely. Other varieties can be pruned after flowering. They can be stinky plants, needing periodic shaping.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	With the exception of mealy bug they have little trouble with insects or disease.
<u>Comments:</u>	Brunfelsia are easily grown plants that put on stunning displays of bloom. Several varieties are highly fragrant.

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