

# Leptospermum



The genus *Leptospermum*, often referred to as “Tea Trees”, consists of approximately 80 species native to Australia, New Zealand and Malaysia. In the wild they can be found growing in rain forests, along rivers and in scrub like areas. *Leptospermums* are used for their interesting gnarled branches, peeling bark and profuse flowering in the winter, spring and early summer months. *Leptospermum* branches are frequently used in the floral industry for their distinctive foliage and flowers. Foliage colors vary in shades of gray, green or bronze. The waxy flowers attract butterflies and range in color from cream, white, greenish white, to pink or reddish pink. Tea Trees tolerate many types of conditions and are virtually disease and pest free. *Leptospermums* have adapted to coastal conditions, heavy soil, sandy soil or shady situations. In addition, some species perform well when temperatures dip into the low 20's and rise into the 100's.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

Zones: 14-24. Full sun to light shade is recommended for most species. Light pruning after blooming will help keep the shrub bushy and will encourage blooming. Though *Leptospermums* are considered drought tolerant once established, supplemental watering during the summer months is recommended.

#### **Leptospermum Currently Grown at El Nativo Growers:**

<i>Leptospermum 'Flat Rock'</i> .....	6-12'H x 6-12'W, Sun/Shade, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum arachnoides</i> .....	2-3'H x 3-4'W, Sun/Shade, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum brachyandrum</i> .....	10-12'H x 10-12'W, Sun/Shade, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum epacridoideum</i> .....	4-6'H x 4-6'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum flavescens 'Copper Glow'</i> .....	8-12'H x 5-8'W, Sun, Cream, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum grandiflorum</i> .....	3-5'H x 3-5'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i> .....	10-20'W x 10-20'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum laevigatum 'Reevesii'</i> .....	4-5'H x 4-5'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum lanigerum</i> .....	8-10'H x 3-9'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum liversidgei</i> .....	4-6'H x 2-3'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum minutifolium</i> .....	5-6'H x 5-6'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum nitidum</i> .....	4-6'H x 4-6'W, Sun, White W/Green Center, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum obovatum</i> .....	8-10'H x 3-5'W, Sun/Partial Shade, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum petersonii</i> .....	10-12'H x 5-8'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum phyllicoides</i> .....	10-15'H x 6-10'W, Sun, White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum rotundifolium</i> .....	8-10'H x 8-10'W, Sun/Part Shade, Purple/Pink, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum scoparium 'Apple Blossom'</i> .....	1'H x 1-2'W, Sun, Pink/White, Evergreen
<i>Leptospermum scoparium 'Ruby Glow'</i> .....	6-8'H x 6-8'W, Sun, Dark Pink/Red, Evergreen

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