Yesterday Today And Tomorrow

Brunfelsia pauciflora



Yesterday Today And Tomorrow flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 8b

Other Names: Brazil Raintree, Morning Noon And Night

Description:

This variety is spectacular in bloom; pansy-like flowers open deep purple, progress to lavender and then finally white, showing all three colors on the plant; perfect for the shrub border or containers; can be maintained as a small tree with pruning



Yesterday Today And Tomorrow in bloom
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Ornamental Features

Yesterday Today And Tomorrow is covered in stunning clusters of purple round flowers with lavender overtones and white streaks at the ends of the branches from mid spring to early fall. It has dark green foliage with light green undersides. The glossy pointy leaves remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Yesterday Today And Tomorrow is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting bees and butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Yesterday Today And Tomorrow is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Yesterday Today And Tomorrow will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets.

Yesterday Today And Tomorrow makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.