

## Madeira broom



Broom can be evergreen or deciduous, and can grow upright or prostrate. Broom is usually grown for its pea-like flowers that are often fragrant. There are dwarf, small and medium-sized shrubs. The foliage is somewhat feathery. *Genista maderensis* is a native of Madeira, where it grows to up to 7 mtrs. It is evergreen, and in late Spring and early Summer has masses of golden, fragrant flowers.

It develops a large number of branches that give the plant a disordered appearance, so for ornamental purposes it is pruned several times, especially after flowering. The ideal time to be marketed is when the flower bud turns from green to yellow.

**Category:** Flowering shrubs

**Families:** Fabaceae

**Genus:** *Genista*

**Species:** *maderensis*

**Geographical Area of Origin:** Mediterranean Europe / Middle-north africa

**Climatic Zones:** Mediterranean: South and islands, hills. USDA 10 a

**Habit:** Shrub

**Leaves:** Evergreen

**Colore Foglie:** Verde 

**Flowering Period:** Marzo / Aprile / Maggio / Giugno

**Flower:** Simple flower

**Colore Fiori:** Giallo 

**Favorite soil:** Sub-acid / medium acid / Middle-Dough / Medium soil

**Water needs:** Medium

**Light Exposure:** Medium shade / Half shade / Full light / Full sun

**Form:** Tree / Grown as shrub / bush

**Colore Frutti:** Marrone 

**Parfumed:** yes