

GREVILLEA CV. POORINDA PETER (Cover)

Grevillea cv. Poorinda Peter is a handsome evergreen shrub that was brought back from Australia in 1971 by former Arboretum Superintendent George Spalding. The Australians have spent a great deal of effort in selecting fine cultivars from their choicest native plants and *Grevillea* cv. Poorinda Peter is one of the finer introductions among them.

It has an open growth habit to 6 feet or more in height. The evergreen leaves have 8 to 12 pairs of sharply pointed lobes (pinnately lobed). They are stalked, alternate, glabrous, thick, dull green when adult, reddish or brownish when young and up to 1 inch wide. Overall, the leaves resemble small, lobed, oak leaves, and the copper color found on new foliage and stems is one of the primary attractions of the plant.

Flower clusters are coral with a purple shading, particularly in the unopened buds. The flowers are conspicuous and are borne in good quantity in the late summer. Plants prefer well-drained soil in full sun but will likely adapt to many growing situations.

ARBORETUM WEATHER

Lat. 34°08'48" N.

Long. 118°02'59" W.

Elev. 571.28 ft.

Weather season:
Oct. 1 to Sept. 30

	May	June	July
Average daily maximum temperature	78.6	81.6	94.4
Average daily minimum temperature	50.8	54.7	60.3
Highest temperature	89	94	99
Lowest temperature	41	50	54
Number of clear days	18	7	15
Number of partly cloudy days	6	18	16
Number of cloudy days	7	6	0
Rain during this month21	.10	0
Total rain since Oct. 1st	14.98	15.08	15.08



1975. "Grevillea CV. Poorinda Peter (cover)." *Lasca leaves* 25, 87.

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