



# BRUSH BOX *Lophostemon confertus*



## Description:

Brush box has a fine, interlocked grain and even texture with the heartwood ranging from greyish pink through to a reddish brown, while the sapwood is usually paler in colour. It is free of gum veins. The grain is especially appealing for appearance-based applications such as flooring.

## Features:

Sometimes hard to work because of its interlocked grain and presence of silica, Brush Box does however have good wearing characteristics and resistance to splintering. It has a natural waxiness which may reduce adherence of some adhesives but it does paint and stain well. Proper drying is essential to prevent shrinkage where used for flooring and panelling.

## Applications: *Mountain Ash is Ideal for:*

- Lining boards
- Flooring
- Stairs
- Mouldings

## Characteristics:

It has a natural waxiness and its fine grain makes it an attractive timber for paneling & lining. It has moderate durability and is better used for internal applications, however it has been successfully used in external applications where protected

**Pricing/Availability:** A moderately priced hardwood it is most commonly used in NSW & Qld where it is well known, but is less known in Victoria



## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Density kg/m3 (12% MC)	<b>890</b>	Durability Class In Ground	<b>3</b>	Bending	<b>Fair</b>
Hardness (Janka kN)	<b>9.1</b>	Durability class above Ground	<b>3</b>	Machining	<b>Fair</b>
Modulus of Rupture Mpa dry	<b>121</b>	Susceptible to Lyctid Borer	<b>NO</b>	Finish	<b>Good</b>
Modulus of Elasticity	<b>15</b>	Termite Resistance	<b>Resistant</b>	Resistance to splitting	<b>Good</b>
BAL Rating	<b>19</b>	Stability	<b>Good</b>	Gluing	<b>Poor</b>
Spread of Flame	<b>7</b>	Smoke Developed Index	<b>2</b>	Growing Region	<b>NSW &amp; Qld</b>



*Brush Box exhibits rich colour tones and is a visually stunning timber adding warmth and interest when combined with modern interior materials such as glass, stone and polished concrete. Its hardness makes it ideal for use as a flooring or wall panelling in areas that see a lot of traffic or where it has to take the occasional bump.*

*This is a beautiful native hardwood that is well known in NSW & Qld but often overlooked in the Southern States.*