

# Assessment chart: Bromelia

E.g. Guzmania, Vriesea, Tillandsia, Aechmea, Ananas, Neoregelia

## Assessment criteria for Bromeliaceae

		Assessment criteria
<b>Receiving inspection</b>	✓	Height
<b>General</b>	✓	Pot size
	✓	Grade
	✓	Damage
	✓	Animal parasites
	✓	Disease
	✓	Ornamental value leaf
	✓	Continued growth
<b>Flowering</b>		Roots
	✓	Flowers
	✓	Flowerhead
	✓	End of flowering
	✓	Bud/flower withering and/or bud/flower shed
<b>Leaf</b>		Flowering percentage
	✓	Leaf yellowing
	✓	Leaf spots/points
	✓	Leaf withering
		Leaf dropping
		Wilted leaf
		Cold damage
		Berry shed
<b>Berry</b>		Berry withering
		Berry discolouration

## Remark watering

Watering in leaf axil and flower sheath.

## Specific

### **Grade**

*Register:* ripeness stage and number of cuttings according to 'VBN purchase specifications plants'.

## Flower

### **End of flowering**

*Description:* flowers get wilted and/or translucent and/or discolour to brown and/or are shed.

*Register:* count/estimate the number of flowers left off.

### **Discoloration and/or wilting of the flowerhead**

*Description:* the leaves of the flowerhead discolour to brown and/or wither.

*Discard:* when more than 25% of the flowerhead is severely discoloured and/or withered.

### **Flower rot**

*Description:* the flowerhead is loose in the leaf.

*Discard:* when this phenomenon is observed.

### **Leaf rot**

*Description:* the leaf is rotting.

*Discard:* when more than 25% of the leaves have rotted away

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