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*Brya*

*Leguminosae*

[*Fabaceae/Papilionaceae*]

*Brya* may commemorate an engraver, publisher and bookseller, Johann Theodor de Bry (1561-1623 or possibly 1564-1617) from Frankfurt. Amongst his publications are highly acclaimed florilegia still sought after today.

Members of this family absorb nitrogen from the air. Through the bacterial nodules on their deep growing roots, they will introduce nitrogen to the soil (and aerate it) to the benefit of neighbouring plants and any following them in the same soil.