## Van Zyverden's CRAPE MYRTLE RED





Crape Myrtles (Lagerstroemia) are among the most satisfying plants for the south, as their showy summer flowers, attractive multi-colored bark, and brilliant fall color make them year-round garden performers. Selected and prized for their long summer bloom period, they are often called the plant of the 100 day bloom. Also, their stunning, unique winter architecture makes this plant exceed most landscape choices for four-season interest and appeal.

About This Variety: It is a fast growing, medium sized tree and is sometimes called a Southern Lilac.

Growing Instructions: Dig a hole about a foot deep and a foot wide. Set the plant in the hole, and fill it half full with soil. Water. After water is drained, fill the rest of the hole with the remaining soil. Then water thoroughly again and continue doing so regularly. Fertilization may be necessary.

Care Tip: Crape Myrtles bloom on new wood and should be pruned in winter or early spring. Remove basal suckers, twiggy growth, crossing branches and branches growing to the center of the plant. Also remove side branches up to a height of 4-5; as this exposes the handsome bark of the trunks.

Exposure: Full sun

Height: Grows 15-25' tall

Spacing: Plant- 15-25' apart, crown at soil level

Hardy in: USDA zones 7-9











