# **Center Stage**™ Coral

## Crape myrtle Lagerstroemia indica

A cut above! The Center Stage Coral has earlier blooms, richer intense reddish-black foliage, and is less prone to mildew. You'll love the ruffled, fully saturated coral flowers and healthy, rapid growth too!

Top reasons to grow Center Stage™ Coral crape myrtle in your garden:

- Intense, dark burgundy-black foliage.
- Bright coral flowers with cheery yellow stamens.
- Vigorously growing and freely flowering just sit back and enjoy.

Disease Resistant

Long Blooming

Foliage Interest

#### Resists:

Deer

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**

Plant Type: Shrub

Shrub Type: Deciduous

**Height Category:** Medium

Garden Height: 72 - 144 Inches

Spacing: 96 Inches

Spread: 96 Inches

Flower Colors: Pink/Red

Flower Shade: Coral

Foliage Colors: Black/Purple

Foliage Shade: Black

Habit: Upright

Container Role: Thriller

### **PLANT NEEDS**

Light Requirement: Sun

**Maintenance Category:** Easy

Blooms On: New Wood

Bloom Time: Summer

**Hardiness Zones:** 6-10

Water Category: Average

Uses: Border Plant, Container, Landscape, Mass Planting, Specimen or Focal Point

**Uses Notes:** Plant in landscapes and gardens for color from spring through fall.

#### **Maintenance Notes:**

Though Center Stage crape myrtle has been evaluated and shown to have excellent disease resistance, it should still be planted in full sun (6+ hours/day), and overwatering should be avoided, to ensure the best performance.

If you wish to prune do so in early spring, just as the new growth begins to emerge on the stems.

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