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## **Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle**



## Drury Crimson™ Crapemyrtle Lagerstroemia 'GV1125'

Height: 4 feet Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: O •

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Crape Myrtle, Crepe Myrtle

### **Description:**

This stunning ornamental shrub produces amazing, deep crimson-red blooms from summer to fall; burgundy new growth matures to dark green, and then turns orange and red in fall; a captivating focal point for the garden or border

#### **Ornamental Features**

Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle is clothed in stunning panicles of crimson frilly flowers at the ends of the branches from early summer to early fall. It has attractive dark green deciduous foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The oval leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of red and orange in the fall.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.



Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

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### **Planting & Growing**

Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is very fussy about its soil conditions and must have rich, acidic soils to ensure success, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Drury Crimson Crapemyrtle makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.