

# Lagerstroemia GreatMyrtle™



**Breeder:** Rick Grazzini, GardenGenetics  
**Zone hardiness:** Zone 5b - 9  
**Bloom time:** Early summer through late fall, depending on zone.  
**Habit:** Mounded  
**Branching:** Densely branched  
**Flower size:** NA  
**Flower form:** Single  
**Height:** 36" tall  
**Spread:** 36" wide  
**Spacing:** 42" +  
**Exposure:** Performs best in sun.  
**Water:** Will tolerate dry conditions but prefers regular moisture for steady growth.  
**Fertilizer:** Moderate applications at 100-150 ppm in container, weekly.  
**PGR:** Not recommended  
**pH:** 5.8-6.2  
**EC:** EC 0.5 – 1.8 (50-150 ppm)  
**Daylength:** 15 hours for optimal growth.  
Temperature for rooting: 70-72°F  
**Pinching:** Pinch at transplant, and while bulking.  
**Scheduling:** URC root in 14-21 days, plugs ready to transplant in 4-6 weeks. Plant 1 plug per 1, 2 or 3-gallon container. Finish 12 -16 weeks depending on daylength and consistent temperatures above 70°.  
**Pests:** Scout for aphids, thrips, two spotted spider mites & scale, see resources below  
**Disease:** Scout regularly

Always follow label instructions carefully.  
Test on a small portion of the crop prior to widespread application.

GreatMyrtles have outstanding vigor making them an excellent choice for temperate & tropical growers. The stems are strong and hold the flowers nicely above the plant and will always become bushier with some hand pruning to even up the plant body. Adequate watering and fertilization will ensure that the plant stays healthy and continues to set flower buds throughout the season for more buds and blooms.

Resources: <https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/crapemyrtle-bark-scale>

