

Lagerstroemia GreatMyrtle™



Breeder: Rick Grazzini, GardenGenetics

Zone hardiness: Zone 6a -9 (based on 2023 updated hardiness zone maps)

Bloom time: June through frost in the south, July through frost in the north

Habit: Mounded

Branching: Densely branched

Flower size: NA

Flower form: Single

Height: North 28 -30" / South 32-36"

Width: North 30-36" / South 36-48"

Spacing: North 30-36" / South 36-48" (enables two plants side by side to touch)

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.



Cherry Delight,
USPP 34,219



French Vanilla,
USPP 24,246



Red Velvet

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>

