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'Sioux' Crapemyrtle

Leaf Color Green
Fall Color Purple and red
This plant has attractive fall colors.

Leaf Identification

Type: Simple
Arrangement: Alternate and opposite
Venations: Pinnate
Margins: Entire
Shapes: Elliptic, oblong and obovate
Length: Less than 2in./5cm to 4in./10cm

Fruit Color Brown

The fruit is dry and oval.

Environment

This plant tolerates some drought and a little salt.
This plant will grow in dry soil.

Suitable soil is well-drained/loamy, sandy or clay.

Nomenclature: The pH preference is an acidic to slightly alkaline (less than 6.8 to 7.7) soil.

Landscape Uses

- Border
- Street tree
- Pollarding
- Standard
- Massing
- Specimen

Attributes and Features

- Pest tolerant
- Persistent fruit
- Attractive fruit

Lagerstroemia x 'Sioux' Crapemyrtle Lythraceae (Loosestrife)

Type Tree, shrub, woody plant

Hardy range 7A to 9A
Height 10' to 15' / 3.00m to 4.60m
Spread 8' to 12' / 2.40m to 3.60m
Growth rate Fast
Form Oval and upright or erect
Exposure Full sun
Persistence Deciduous

Bloom Color Pink
Bloom Time Spring through Fall

The flowers are very showy.

Native Habitat

Hybrid

Crown, Branch and Twig

This plant is symmetrical with a medium texture and has a moderately dense crown.

This plant's bark is showy.

Branches or twigs are thin.

This plant is often grown with multiple trunks.

This plant can be trained to a single trunk.

Pests, Diseases and Damaging Agents

Pests: Aphids often infest the new growth causing an unsightly sooty mold to grow on the foliage. Heavy infestations can be serious. Ambrosia beetle can attack even healthy trees; they tend to attack as trees emerge from dormancy. Japanese beetles relish the foliage of crapemyrtle.

Diseases: Excellent resistance to powdery mildew. *Cercospora* leaf spots have been causing defoliation in crapemyrtle in recent



years and could pose a potential problem. However, *Cercospora* leaf spots are only a minor concern on this cultivar and do not require treatment. Crapemyrtle is susceptible to *Armillaria mellea* root rot, a root fungus disease that girdles the trunk at the base of the plant. Plants in soils previously supporting oaks are most often infected.

