Crape Myrtle Muskogee

Lagerstroemia 'Muskogee'



Muskogee Crape Myrtle potted

A member of the Indian Series, the Muskogee Crape Myrtle is characterized by an exceptionally fast growth rate that is unequaled by all of the hybrid selections from the United States Department of Agriculture National Arboretum. The Crape Myrtle Muskogee produces an impressive mature tree specimen. In 15 to 20 years, a Muskogee can reach a height of 30 feet and a width of 15-20 feet with a massive trunk caliper.

Muskogee flowers are light lavender and very prolific, with an unusually long blooming period lasting up to 120 days. Foliage shows excellent vigor with glossy green leaves that are capable of turning bright red in autumn. Exfoliating bark is an attractive shiny light gray to tan color. Muskogee is certainly one of the best United States Department of Agriculture National Arboretum hybrid selections where a full sized tree is desired within a reasonably short time frame.



Muskogee Crape Myrtle flower



Muskogee Crape Myrtle bark



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Muskogee Crape Myrtle in the landscape

Common Names:

Muskogee, Crape Myrtle

Native Origin:

China & Korea/Hybrid origin

Environment:

Soil: sand, loam, clay, acidic; alkaline; welldrained Salt: medium Exposure: full sun

Description:

Hardy Range: 7A - 10A
Mature Height: 25 - 35'
Mature Spread: 15 - 25'
Growth Rate: 15 - 20
years to maturity
Form: vase shaped, tree
form or multi-trunk
Persistence: deciduous

Ornamental Characteristics:

The flowers are lavender and are very showy, lasting from spring through fall. The foliage is green, turning to an attractive red in the fall. The fruit is dry, oval, round, and brown in color. Crape Myrtles have an exfoliating bark that peels in layers of light gray and tan.



Full Sun



Deciduous



Urban

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