

# Lagerstroemia speciosa

## (Queens Crape-Myrtle)

Lagerstroemia speciosa is one of the few deciduous trees that grow in tropical and subtropical areas. This spectacular large specimen and street tree presents an attractive smooth bark and dense, showy lavender to pink blooms in the summer.



Plant Image

### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Lilas des Indes

**Pronunciation:** lay-ger-STREE-mee-uh spee-see-OH-suh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Tropical southern Asia

**Heat Zones:** 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**Hardiness Zones:** 10, 11, 12

**Uses:** Specimen, Shade, Street, Pollution Tolerant / Urban

### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** Round, Upright, Vase

**Canopy Symmetry:** Symmetrical

**Canopy Density:** Medium

**Canopy Texture:** Medium

**Height at Maturity:** 15 to 23 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 10 to 15 meters

**Time to Ultimate Height:** More than 50 Years

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Flower Image

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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Brachidodrome

**Leaf Persistence:** Semi Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Oblong

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Leathery

**Leaf Scent:**

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Red

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Flower Type:** Raceme

**Flower Scent:** No Fragrance

**Flower Color:** Purple, Pink

**Seasons:** Summer, Fall

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Has Crownshaft:** False

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Showy, Smooth, Colored, Papery

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Brown

**Seasons:** Summer, Fall

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxity:** Yes

**Invasive Potential:** Yes

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** More than 50

**Edible Parts:**

**Pests:** Scales, Aphids

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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Fruit Image



Bark Image



Other Image