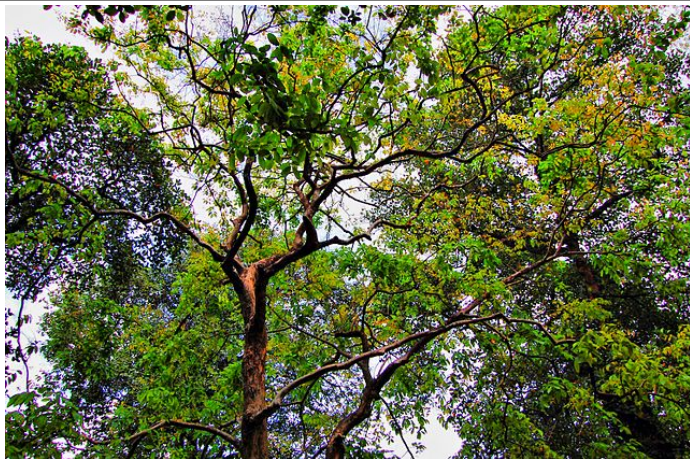


Lagerstroemia speciosa

(Queens Crape-Myrtle, Pride of India)

Native to China & Southeast China, the Queens Crape-Myrtle offers many medicinal benefits from its various parts: the bark is used for diarrhoea and abdominal pains, the leaf is used for malarial fever, and dried leaves for diabetes and urinary problems. Despite its benefits, the tree can also be poisonous, specifically the roots, stems, and leaves.

In India, the wood of the tree was used for construction and railroad ties.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Lilas des Indes Splendide

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

Plant Type: Tree

Origin: Southeast Asia

Heat Zones: 9, 10, 11, 12

Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Specimen, Border Plant, Shade, Medicinal, Erosion control, Street, Pollution Tolerant / Urban, Reclamation

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape: Round, Upright, Vase

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Medium

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 8 to 15 m, 15 to 23 m

Spread at Maturity: 8 to 10 meters, 10 to 15 meters

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Semi Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Oblong

Leaf Margins: Entire

Leaf Textures: Leathery, Glossy, Coarse

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green, Red, Copper

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 3 - 7

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: Purple, Blue, White, Pink

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked, Can be trained to one trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy, Smooth, Papery

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: Yes

Invasive Potential: Yes

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Scales, Aphids

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting, Division

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Fruit Image



Bark Image



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