

Magenta Rose Native Azalea



This native beauty is hard to find and heat tolerant!



Rhododendron flammeum 'Magenta Rose'

- **Use:** One of the beauties from the Earl Somerville Collection. Very nice magenta blooms with a yellow accent. This was collected from the wild near Milledgeville, GA and keys out to be *Rhododendron flammeum* (Oconee azalea). A very unusual rose/lavender color. The original 40+ year old plant is twelve feet tall, but young plants in nursery containers are compact.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Part sun to shade. As with other azaleas, the partial shade of tall trees overhead is the ideal. It will adapt to full-sun sites, though. You just need to water it during times when it isn't raining enough. Grows best in moist, well-drained, organic soils with a pH range from 4.5 to 6.0. "Well-drained" is the key. Planting it in places that don't drain well is a sure death sentence.
- **Growth:** Compact form grows 6-8ft, but much variation can occur between plants in this species. Mature size can range anywhere from 3 to 12 feet.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6-9 Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Very lustrous dark green leaves turn orange-bronze in fall. The handsome leaves are exceptionally mildew free.
- **Flower:** Although blooms are not fragrant, they can appear in large trusses on a healthy plant happy with its situation. Usually blooms in April, but bloom time depends on the weather. Magenta rose blooms with a slight yellow center.

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