Syringa vulgaris ‘Monge’

- **Use:** An outstandingly showy and fragrant French Hybrid Lilac that produces an abundance of deep reddish purple single flowers. It is a deciduous shrub with enchanting flowers. A Lemoine lilac first introduced in 1913. It is noted for its spring (April-May) bloom of fragrant, single, deep reddish-purple flowers that bloom in showy panicles (each to 9" long).
- **Exposure/Soil:** Requires well-drained soil and full-part sun. Thrives in cool summer climates so best to look for a cool spot in your garden to protect from summer heat. Prune to shape right after blooming. Apply a controlled release fertilizer in the spring. This variety has good powdery mildew resistance. MUST HAVE GOOD DRAINAGE! NO RED CLAY! ALSO NEED TO ADD LIMESTONE TO SOIL TO GET TO pH of 7
- **Growth:** Grows slowly, especially during the first three years, but eventually reaches a height of 8-10' tall and 6-8' wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-7; Shrub will need protection from heat in our area.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Foliage is burgundy-tinged in fall.
- **Flower:** It is a consistent heavy bloomer and it has the true lilac scent! Features a mid-spring bloom of fragrant, flowers in large panicles.

This fragrant beauty does have some particular needs so research further before planting. Good for cutting. Fragrant. Deer resistant.

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