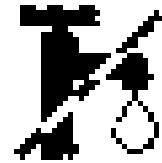


# Crimson Butterflies Butterfly Whorl



## *Gaura lindheimeri* 'Crimson Butterflies'

- **Use:** 'Crimson Butterflies' is a compact cultivar that features hot pink flowers on short racemes and crimson red foliage. It was discovered in 1997 as an open-pollinated seedling variant of *Gaura lindheimeri* 'Siskiyou Pink, Four-petaled hot pink flowers (1" diameter) appear in wand-like panicles on red stems rising above the foliage mound to 18" tall. Flowers bloom over a very long late spring to autumn period. Flowers reportedly dance in the wind like butterflies, hence the cultivar name.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Sun– part sun, very easy to please. Provide well-drained, moist soil, but not soggy. Use a slow release fertilizer.
- **Growth:** Moderate grower to 12-18" tall, 18-24" wide, Cut back occasionally for fullness.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9, Perennial.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Narrow, lance-shaped leaves (to 1-3" long) that emerge crimson in spring with the addition of some green as the leaves mature.
- **Flower:** Plants bloom for many months, with loose sprays of rich pink flowers, held on red stems like a cloud of butterflies.

Lots of blooms for 5 months!

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