

# Starship Deep Rose Cardinal Flower



**Deer resistant, bunny resistant, drought tolerant and attracts butterflies.**



## ***Lobelia speciosa* 'Starship Deep Rose'**

- **Use:** Knockout lobelia dazzles with towering spikes of deep-red blooms complemented by bronze foliage. 'Starship Deep Rose', is a must-grow flowering perennial that blooms the first year. Robust, well-branching plants bring stunning color and contrapuntal verticality to the border, supply an oasis of color in the landscape, and mingle merrily with annuals and perennials in a sunbathing patio container near you. A favorite with the pollinator set. Hummingbird magnet! Cut flower.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun or at least 5-6 hours of afternoon sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Drought tolerant once established. Loves moisture but will tolerate it drier in part shade. This is a vigorous grower that performs best in moderately fertile, but well-drained soils.
- **Growth:** **Grows** 20 to 24 inches high in bloom, it's seldom more than 8 inches wide. Very effective in small gardens and tight spaces!
- **Hardiness:** **Zone 6-10;** Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Reddish bronze foliage.
- **Flower:** Deep Rose combines nearly black stems with big, wide-open, butterfly-shaped blooms of dark pink. The effect is so eye-catching over a long, late season of bloom. Beginning its bloom in midsummer and continuing right into mid-fall in most climates, it brings you a longer season of winged visitors, which is a real boon in gardens where "summer" can go through October!

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