

Crimson Candles Camellia



Camellia x 'Crimson Candles'

- **Use:** Crimson Candles Camellia displays a unique candle shaped reddish bud that opens to a small to medium sized, single rose pink flower. It has numerous blooms on each plant. A notable characteristic for the Crimson Candles is its cold hardiness as it's buds tolerate heavy frost. Parentage: Chance seedling of an unnamed *C. reticulata* x *C. fraterna*
- **Exposure:** Partial shade preferred, but tolerates sun with ample water, evenly moist, humus-rich; high in organic matter, acidic, well-drained (porous) soils, protection from cold, drying winter winds, ample moisture, mulch layer.
- **Growth:** Grows 8-10' tall and 6-8' wide. May be large up to 15' with age and without pruning.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7a-9; shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen. Shiny, rich dark green leaves.
- **Flower:** 2.5-3" large red, elongated flower buds gave 'Crimson Candles' it's name. Bright flowers line up along each branch, giving it showy appeal that rivals any azalea in full bloom; and it does so months before!



Makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it

for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges.

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