

# Autauga Purple Crape Myrtle



Heat  
loving small  
tree with  
lots of  
color!



## *Lagerstroemia indica* 'Autauga Purple'

- **Use:** Autauga has arching branches which produce dark purple flowers. The flowers are tight and compact and bloom from July to September. The foliage has a bronze tint in spring which turns bright green in summer and orange-red in autumn. This crape myrtle is great as a specimen, along walkways, or used in masses for a bold effect. It is often planted as a street tree or in public parks.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full/part sun; well-draining soil and appreciates slow release fertilizer. Water regularly. They tolerate clay and alkaline soil well. Prefers not to have water on the leaves.
- **Growth:** Grows 10-15' tall and 20' wide. Shape into a tree by cutting out weak shoots. Handout available on our website.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7-9; Multi-stemmed large shrub or trained as a border or small tree.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Reddish new growth, becoming glossy green in summer and has orange to red fall color.
- **Flowers:** Stunning purple blossoms throughout the summer and into late October. Flowers on new growth; prune in late winter