

Red Rocket®

Crapemyrtle, *Lagerstroemia indica* 'Whit IV'

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Red Rocket® flower color is a cherry red, similar to Dynamite® but it has huge cone-shaped clusters. It is the fastest growing 'Whit' red. Flower clusters may be 20 inches or more in length. It is one of the most dominant sources of red in southern landscapes. Flower buds are dark crimson. New leaves are crimson, quickly changing to dark green. Current season's shoots are also crimson providing a contrast to the green foliage. Seed production is modest and seed viability is low which probably contributes to the long bloom period. Red Rocket® grows and flowers best when NOT pruned back in winter. Flowering is best in full sun.

Features:

- Flowers: cherry red
- Flower buds: dark crimson
- Foliage: crimson new leaves change to green
- Twigs: crimson during season
- Fall color: orange
- Growth habit: single or multiple stem, very large shrub or small tree, 20 feet or more in height.
- Very drought tolerant
- Highly resistant to powdery mildew



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