

# Tree Information Sheet

## Common Name

Crepe Myrtle

## Botanical Name

*Lagerstroemia indica* "Natchez"

## Origin

Eastern Asia.

## Description

A deciduous, vase-shaped tree about 6-8 meters high. Producing spectacular clusters of white blooms in late summer.

The white petals are ruffled, with a crepe-like texture. In autumn the mid-green leaves turn yellow, orange or red (depending on the variety) before falling. Unpruned crepe myrtles develop beautifully coloured, smooth, mottled trunks. The Indian Summer range (*var. Sioux* and *var. Natchez*) have been specially bred to resist powdery mildew.



Close-up of Crepe Myrtle foliage and flower



Crepe Myrtle Tree