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### Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle

*Lagerstroemia 'Brew Ha Ha'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Other Names: Crape Myrtle, Crepe Myrtle

Group/Class: Barista Collection

#### Description:

This exciting ornamental shrub or small tree produces volumes of vibrant, large bubblegum pink blooms over dark blue-green leaves; a captivating focal point for the garden or border; mature heights are taller in southern climates; blooms on new wood

#### Ornamental Features

Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle is clothed in stunning panicles of hot pink frilly flowers with yellow anthers at the ends of the branches from late summer to early fall, which emerge from distinctive cherry red flower buds. It has attractive bluish-green foliage with hints of black. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and turn dark red in fall. The fruits are showy green pods displayed from mid fall to early winter.

#### Landscape Attributes

Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.



*Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle flowers*  
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*Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle in bloom*  
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Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

### **Planting & Growing**

Barista Brew Ha Ha Crape Myrtle will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is very fussy about its soil conditions and must have rich, acidic soils to ensure success, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.