

Crepe Myrtle

Common name: Crepe Myrtle, Pride of India

Botanical name: *Lagerstroemia indica*; **Family:** Lythraceae; **Name in Tamil: ?**



Field identification: Large bush or small deciduous tree. Multi-trunk with smooth, flaking bark. Leaves oval, smooth, paler underneath. Flowers large, showy clusters, white, pink, mauve, often frilly. Fruit woody capsule.

Location on campus: Sunken Garden, Behind CHAD Hospital.

References:

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