

First Editions®

Crimson Fire™ Fringe Flower Culture Sheet

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Loropetalum chinensis var. rubrum 'PIILC-P' PP25,534



Deciduous/Evergreen: Broadleaf Evergreen

Southern Region Container Production

pH: 5.5-6.5 EC: 0.5-2.0

Hardiness: Zone 7-9

Heat Zone: 10-6

Fertilization Requirements	Medium to high rate of complete controlled release fertilizer. Important to use a long term slow release fertilizer. Do not use a non-coated fertilizer.
Overwintering Practices and Temperatures	Overwinter in a cold frame. Temperatures are greater than 20°F.
Light Levels	Best to grow in full sun.
Water Requirements	Medium water requirements.
Planting Season	Plant any time of year after the danger of frost has past.
Propagation Method and Notes	Loropetalums are propagated by stem cutting tender or firm growth. Use 0.3% KIBA or Hormodin #2 rooting hormone.
Pest/Disease Management	No pests have been observed.
PGR Application	No experience with PGRs.
Flowers on new or old wood	Blooms on old wood.
Special Notes	Do not stress! Take caution when growing under shade and moving to sun. If possible, move to sun before last flush, before ready to sell. Keep really wet when young. Once roots are established, back off on the watering. Foliage will turn a greenish purple if the plants are stressed or under fertilized. Prune when young to encourage branching and a fuller finished plant.

Estimated Finishing Times

8" Container	#3 Container
Pot in spring using a 2 1/2" plug. Plants will finish in the fall.	Pot using 8" upshifts in fall. Plants will finish the following summer. Pot in spring using a 2 1/2" plug. Plants will finish in fall.

Pacific Northwest Region Container Production

pH: 5-7 EC: 1-2

Hardiness: Zone 7-9

Heat Zone: 10-6

Fertilization Requirements	8 month (18-6-11) incorp is used at time of planting.
Overwintering Practices and Temperatures	Plants are spaced under poly. Do not let sides touch each other or they will burn and die back. If this happens, need to prune and flush in spring. Overwintering temperatures are greater than 20°F.
Light Levels	Full Sun to part shade.
Water Requirements	Medium water requirements.
Planting Season	Planting occurs late spring after risk of frost has passed.
Propagation Method and Notes	This plant can be difficult to root. Use tender/firm growth dipped in 1000 ppm KIBA. Don't let cuttings dry down during initial propagation phase.
Pest/Disease Management	No pests have been observed.
PGR Application	No experience with PGRs.
Flowers on new or old wood	Blooms on old wood.
Special Notes	Difficult to root.

Estimated Finishing Times

Liner	#1 container	#2 container
LO (38) plug	Finish in 20 weeks.	Finish in 1 year with a flush.

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Note: The information presented should be considered as a starting point for best practices. Production times and product applications will vary depending on the growing region and conditions. It is the responsibility of the applicator to follow all current manufacturer label directions in a responsible manner.