## Karen's Azalea



An unusually hardy and highly reliable evergreen shrub with rich lavender-purple hose-in-hose flowers on a vigorous, upright plant. Foliage turns a brilliant burgundy in the fall. Showiest when planted in groups. An ideal spring blooming foundation shrub for beds and borders.



Reaches 2-4 feet tall; 3-5 feet wide.



Filtered sun



Water deeply and regularly during the first growing season to establish an extensive root system; once established, water as needed to maintain evenly moist soil.



- Do apply annual, acidic based fertilizer. As a member of the ericaceous family, rhododendron/azalea require a lower soil ph level.
- Do provide adequate drainage and avoid "clay bowls" that are notorious for holding water and predisposing plants to the compost heap.
- Don't plant in exposed sites. Best growth occurs with protection from hot afternoon sun and drying winter winds.
- Don't allow to dry out; an evenly moist root system will be quickest to establish a juvenile plant and maintain stalwarts.

