

CAMELLIA ‘Classic Pink’

Origin: Selected by plantsman Dr Clifford Parks, well known camellia breeder since 1962.

Species: *C. japonica*

Protection Status: US Plant PP# 16,547

Characteristics:

This is an exceptionally hardy Camellia. In 1985, the temperature dropped in Dr. Park's nursery to -9° F, which is about 9 degrees lower than most Camellias can tolerate. 99% of the Camellias were killed but a few survived. These survivors formed the nucleus of Dr Park's continuing breeding program. ‘**Classic Pink**’ is proven hardy to -9° F. This naturally compact plant has glossy dark green foliage, and attractive, delicate pink formal double flowers, typically 4” in diameter. This variety is sterile. Further selections with complementary colors have been made by Dr Parks.

Hardiness: USDA Zone 6.

Bloom: Delicate pink double flowers about 4” in diameter

Foliage: Glossy, deep green foliage

Habit: Short internodes and good branching habit

Propagation: Cuttings. *License required for propagation.*

Culture: Typical camellia culture applies.

