**Dianthus deltoids ‘Vampire’**

- **Use:** Maiden Pinks are easy-care perennials, ideal for the beginning gardener. Plants form a low, spreading evergreen mound of dark-green leaves, studded with deep crimson-red flowers in late spring, then on and off through the summer. Good choice for poor soils, and hot, sunny sites. Also excellent in tubs and mixed containers.

- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in full sun to part sun. Moderate water requirements, but somewhat drought tolerant. Must amend the soil if you have poor soil (like red clay). We recommend the Pro Mix Soil.

- **Growth:** Grows up to 15 inches wide and 8 inches tall.
- **Hardiness:** Zones 5-9; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Evergreen; glaucous blue-green foliage
- **Flower:** Petite, fully double, vibrant, crimson-red flowers over blue-green mats of grass-like evergreen foliage. Trim back lightly after first flowering.

Dianthus are perfectly suited for rock gardens and exposed hills, preferring well-drained, windswept spots to boggy, stagnant ones.