American Salute Flowering Crab

Malus 'Amsalzam'



American Salute Flowering Crab flowers
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Height: 18 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

Description:

A beautiful and hardy cultivar with an nice upward habit, covered in lovely pink blooms in spring; fruit is red, small and persistent and adds ornamental value for fall and winter; an excellent street tree

Ornamental Features

American Salute Flowering Crab is draped in stunning clusters of fragrant rose flowers along the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds before the leaves. The fruits are showy red pomes carried in abundance from early to late fall. It has dark green deciduous foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall.



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Landscape Attributes

American Salute Flowering Crab is a dense deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

American Salute Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

American Salute Flowering Crab will grow to be about 18 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.