Satin Cloud Flowering Crab

Malus 'Satin Cloud'



Satin Cloud Flowering Crab fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

Description:

Bright red buds produce abundant showy white flowers with a blush of pink in spring, followed by small yellow-orange fruits and amazing red fall color; an exemplary ornamental feature for the garden border; needs well-drained soil and full sun



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Ornamental Features

Satin Cloud Flowering Crab is bathed in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers with shell pink overtones along the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds before the leaves. The fruits are showy yellow pomes with a orange blush, which are carried in abundance in early fall. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding red in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Satin Cloud Flowering Crab is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded 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 is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care 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, bees and butterflies to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Satin Cloud Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Satin Cloud Flowering Crab will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot 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 shrub 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.