Madonna Flowering Crab

Malus 'Madonna'



Madonna Flowering Crab flowers
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Height: 15 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

Description:

A ravishing ornamental tree smothered in double white flowers in spring followed by colorful orange fruit in fall, compact habit of growth; makes a fine accent for the garden or front yard, needs well-drained soil and full sun

Ornamental Features

Madonna Flowering Crab is smothered in stunning clusters of fragrant double white flowers along the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds before the leaves. The fruits are showy orange pomes carried in abundance from early to mid fall. It has dark green deciduous foliage which emerges coppery-bronze in spring. The pointy leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Madonna Flowering Crab is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Madonna Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Madonna Flowering Crab will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 3 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.