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North Dakota Tree Selector

General

Scientific Name: *Malus hybrids*

Family: Rosaceae (Rose)

Hardiness: Zone 3

Leaves: Deciduous

Plant Type: Tree

Growth

Rate: Medium

Mature Height: 25-45'

Longevity: Long

Power Line: No

Ornamental

Flowers: White to pink to red

Fruit: Red to green, pea-sized to golf ball-sized

Fall Color: Yellow

Flowering Crabapple

Description

Ornamental crabapples are a group of small-to-medium flowering trees used for landscape plantings. They are valued for their foliage, flowers, fruit and variations in form and size. Fruits can be used in jellies.

Preferences

Light: Full sun.

Water: Medium.

Soil: Prefers acidic soils, tolerates a wide variety.

Comments

Flowering crabapples are susceptible to fireblight, frog-eye leaf spot and have varying susceptibility to apple scab. Listed is a small selection of a wide variety of hardy cultivars available in multiple forms:

Centurion® – Rose-pink flowers.

'David' – White flowers, red fruits.

'Hopa' – South Dakota introduction. Old pink flowered, apple scab susceptible cultivar.

'Kelsey', 'Selkirk', 'Thunderchild' – Canadian cultivars with rose-pink flowers.

'Thunderchild' has purple leaves and is disease resistant.

'Radiant', 'Red Splendor', 'Vanguard' – Minnesota cultivars. All have pink to rose-pink flowers.

'Spring Snow' – White flowers, no fruits, sterile.



Credits: Tree Selector Website, <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/trees/handbook/th-3-75.pdf>