# Wilson's Lifestyle Centre

### **David Flowering Crab**

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# David Flowering Crab *Malus 'David'*

Height: 15 feet Spread: 15 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

#### **Description:**

A beautiful cultivar with a broad habit, covered in stunning white blooms in spring; fruit is bright scarlet red, small and persistent, and adds ornamental value for fall and winter; good disease resistance

#### **Ornamental Features**

David Flowering Crab is draped in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers along the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive shell pink flower buds before the leaves. The fruits are showy scarlet pomes carried in abundance from early to late fall. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

David Flowering Crab is a dense 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. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.



David Flowering Crab flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



David Flowering Crab in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

David Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use

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#### **Planting & Growing**

David Flowering Crab will grow to be about 15 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 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 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.