# Wilson's Lifestyle Centre

## **Versicolor Flowering Peach**

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### Versicolor Flowering Peach Prunus persica 'Versicolor'

Height: 15 feet Spread: 15 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Other Names: Common Peach

#### **Description:**

A highly ornamental but rather sensitive tree for landscape use, featuring stunning soft pink, and dark pink-red flowers on the same tree; great as an eye catching accent or screening

#### **Ornamental Features**

Versicolor Flowering Peach features showy clusters of fragrant shell pink flowers with rose overtones along the branches in early spring, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The narrow leaves turn yellow in fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Versicolor Flowering Peach is a deciduous tree with a more or less rounded 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.



Versicolor Flowering Peach flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Versicolor Flowering Peach in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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;

- Messy
- Insects
- Disease

Versicolor Flowering Peach is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

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#### **Planting & Growing**

Versicolor Flowering Peach 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 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 40 years or more.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.