## Wilson's Lifestyle Centre

### **Amberina Flowering Crab**

Amberina Flowering Crab Malus 'Amberina'

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

#### **Description:**

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Amberina Flowering Crab flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Magnificent deep red buds open to lovely creamy white flowers in abundance; volumes of interesting orange fruit emerge in late summer and are persistent throughout fall and winter; deep green summer foliage gives way to stunning gold in the fall

#### **Ornamental Features**

Amberina Flowering Crab is draped in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers along the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive red flower buds before the leaves. The fruits are showy orange pomes carried in abundance from early to late fall. The fruit can be messy if allowed to drop on the lawn or walkways, and may require occasional clean-up. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall.

#### Landscape Attributes

Amberina Flowering Crab is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub 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 shrub 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. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Messy
- Disease

Amberina Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use

#### **Planting & Growing**

Amberina Flowering Crab will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 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.

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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 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.