

# Ritchie

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### Snowdrift Flowering Crab

*Malus 'Snowdrift'*

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Roseybloom, Crabapple

#### Description:

An exceptionally showy ornamental tree that's bathed in white flowers in spring and colorful orange-red fruit in fall, spreading habit of growth, hardy; makes a wonderful feature tree in the landscape, needs well-drained soil and full sun

#### Ornamental Features

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

#### Landscape Attributes

Snowdrift Flowering Crab 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.



*Snowdrift Flowering Crab in bloom*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Snowdrift Flowering Crab flowers*  
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This is a high maintenance tree that will require regular care 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

Snowdrift Flowering Crab is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

### **Planting & Growing**

Snowdrift Flowering Crab will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 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 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.



*Snowdrift Flowering Crab fruit*  
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

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