Prairiefire Crabapple
Malus (Prairiefire)

Flower

Bark

General Attributes

Type	Deciduous Tree
Height	15 - 20 Feet
Spread	20 - 20 Feet
Form	Rounded
Utility Lines	Compatible
Growth Rate	Medium
Life Expectancy	Medium
USDA Zone	4 - 8
Root Pattern	Shallow Lateral

Flowers/Foliage/Fruits

Flower Color	Red
Flower Season	Spring
Fruit	Pome
Fruit Color	Maroon
Fruit Season	Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter
Summer Texture	Medium
Winter Texture	Medium
Spring Foliage	Purple
Summer Foliage	Green
Fall Foliage	Bronze
Winter Foliage	Not Applicable

Plant Community

Sun	Full Sun
Orientation	North, South, East, West
Soil Texture	Sandy Loam to Clay Loam
Topography	Upland
Plant Community	Forest Edge
Succession	
Origin	

Soils

Salt Spray Tolerance	Sensitive
Soil Salt Tolerance	Sensitive
Compaction Tolerance	Moderate
Water Table	12 Inches
Drainage	Moderate
Flood Tolerance	
Drought Tolerance	
Moisture Regime	Dry, Moist, Wet
pH	5.0 through 7.5
Windbreak Group	

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Planting Ease

Spring Bareroot	Easy
Fall Bareroot	
Spring Container	Easy
Fall Container	Moderate
Spring Seed	
Fall Seed	

Maintenance

Formal	Low
Informal	Low
2,4-D Tolerance	Sensitive
Dicamba Tolerance	Sensitive
Picloram Tolerance	Sensitive
Clopyralid Tolerance	
Artificial Light	
Sulfur Dioxide	
Ozone Tolerance	Moderate
Hydrogen Flouride	
Nitrogen Oxide	

Pests/Problems

Allergens	males 4, females 4
Invasiveness	Non-Invasive
Toxicity	Has toxic Fruit
Cold Injury	Not Susceptible
Storm Damage	Not Susceptible
Biological Control	
Mechanical Control	
Chemical Control	

Miscellaneous

Wildlife Rating	High
Insect Concerns	Minor
Disease Concern	Minor
Wildlife Concerns	

Comments

Blooms later than most crabs. Bark is glossy dark red with numerous prominent lenticels. Apple scab resistant, selected from Illinois and introduced in 1982. Seeds are poisonous. Very resistant to scab, cedar apple rust, fireblight and mildew.

Dormant

Immature