Double Red Flowering Peach

Prunus persica 'Double Red'



Double Red Flowering Peach flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Common Peach

Description:

A highly ornamental but rather sensitive tree for landscape use, featuring very showy double coral-red flowers in spring before the leaves on an upright spreading form; may produce a small amount of inedible fruit

Ornamental Features

Double Red Flowering Peach is bathed in stunning clusters of fragrant double red flowers along the branches from early to mid spring, which emerge from distinctive rose flower buds before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The narrow leaves turn yellow in fall.



Double Red Flowering Peach in bloom
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Double Red 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.

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

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Double Red Flowering Peach is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Double Red Flowering Peach will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 3 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast 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.