



Vanguard Crabapple

Malus 'Vanguard'

Rosaceae

Description

Vanguard Crabapple is a beautiful ornamental specimen that blooms a fragrant, pink in the spring followed by bronze-green foliage in the summer. Fruits are edible, though tart, and can be used to make jellies, jams, and ciders.

General Information

Zone: 4-8	Soil Texture: Clay, Loam, Sand	Fall Color: Yellow
Height: 15-30'	Soil pH: Acidic-Alkaline	Bloom Color: Pink, Red
Width: 10-20'	Exposure: Full Sun, Part Shade	Bloom Time: May
Habit: Round	Water Needs: Average	Fragrance: Yes
Growth Rate: 24" per year	Soil Drainage: Well-Drained	Fruit Color: Red
	Other: Deer	Fruiting Time: Fall
	Attributes: Tolerant, Pollution Tolerant, Rabbit Tolerant	Fruit Flavor: Tart
		Attracts: Bees, Butterflies, Birds, Small Mammals

Resources:

[Plants A to Z: Find Plant Names by Letter \(thespruce.com\)](#)
[Find a Plant | NC Extension Gardener Plant Toolbox \(ncsu.edu\)](#)
[Trees and Plants | The Morton Arboretum](#)
[WSU PNW Plants](#)

[The Tree Guide at arborday.org](#)
[Woody Plants Catalog | The UFOR Nursery & Lab \(umn.edu\)](#)
[Plant Finder \(missouribotanicalgarden.org\)](#)
[N.D. Tree Handbook \(nds.edu\)](#)