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Summercrisp Pear

Pyrus 'Summercrisp'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Ussurian Pear

Description:

One of the hardiest pears with clouds of showy white flowers in spring, good fall color and a consistent oval form; small firm greenish-red fruit, reasonable quality, good flavor; fallen fruit can be messy, but self-pollinating and resistant to fireblight

Ornamental Features:

Summercrisp Pear is clothed in stunning clusters of white flowers with purple anthers along the branches in mid spring. It has dark green foliage throughout the season. The glossy oval leaves turn an outstanding burgundy in the fall. The fruits are yellow pomes displayed in late summer, which are excellent for fresh eating and making jams and jellies but which can be messy if allowed to drop on the lawn or walkways. This variety requires a different selection of the same species growing nearby in order to set fruit. The furrowed brown bark is not particularly outstanding.

Landscape Attributes:

Summercrisp Pear is a dense deciduous tree with a shapely oval 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 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;

- Messy

Summercrisp Pear is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Pyrus 'Summercrisp' fruit
Photo courtesy of University of Minnesota



Pyrus 'Summercrisp' flowers
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- Orchard/Edible Landscaping
- Accent
- Shade

Plant Characteristics:

Summercrisp Pear will grow to be about 25 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 fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 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.

This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.