

# Malus SUGAR TYME

## SUGAR TYME flowering Crabapple



*Malus SUGAR TYME* (SUGAR TYME flowering Crabapple) is a cultivar of the ornamental apple, originating from a seedling of *Malus x zumi* 'Calocarpa' found by Milton Baron in Michigan, United States. Around 1988, this strong ornamental apple was introduced by Lake County Nursery, Ohio, also in the United States. The tree remains relatively small and compact, with a final height of about five to six metres and a width of four to six metres. This makes SUGAR TYME suitable for gardens, parks and urban green areas. The crown is upright and oval with an open habit, and in its youth the branches grow beautifully horizontally.

In spring, around May, *Malus SUGAR TYME* blooms profusely: the buds are salmon pink and open into small, fragrant, pure white single flowers that are attractive to insects such as bees. The narrow leaves emerge light green, turn dark green in summer and end with yellow autumn tones. After flowering, the tree forms small, green decorative apples about one centimetre in diameter, which turn bright red in late summer and often remain on the tree until winter. This contrasts beautifully with the healthy, dark green leaves and provides long-lasting decorative value and food for birds. The bark and twigs are brown in colour and the branches are sturdy.

*Malus SUGAR TYME* is ideal for use as an ornamental tree in gardens, parks and green areas, but this selection also looks great in tree pots and smaller green areas. SUGAR TYME tolerates various soil types: from sandy to loamy or clayey soil, as long as the soil is rich, well-drained and does not remain permanently wet. A location in full sun to partial shade promotes richer flowering and ensures more fruit production. *Malus SUGAR TYME* is a very disease-resistant ornamental apple that requires little maintenance.

### TYPES OF PLANTING

**Tree types:** standard trees, multi-stemmed trees

### USE

**Location:** street, park, central reservation, in containers, large garden, small garden, patio, cemetery, traffic areas, industrial zones | **Pavement:** none, open, sealed

### CHARACTERISTICS

**Crown shape:** ovoid | **Crown structure:** semi-open | **Height:** 4 - 6 m | **Width:** 3 - 5 m | **Winter hardiness zone:** 4A - 8B

### ASPECTS

**Wind:** slightly tolerant to wind | **Soil:** loess, sabulous clay, peaty, heavy clay, light clay, sand, loamy soil, all soils | **Nutrient level:** moderately rich in nutrients, rich in nutrients | **Soil moisture level:** dry, moist | **Light requirements:** sun | **pH range:** acidic, neutral, alkaline | **Host plant/forage plant:** bees, butterflies, birds | **Extreme environments:** tolerates air pollution

### PLANTKENMERKEN

**Flowers:** raceme, striking, singular, small, flower-scented, fruit scented | **Flower colour:** white | **Flowering period:** May - May | **Leaf colour:** dark green, buds bright green | **Leaves:** deciduous, ovoid, small, serrate | **Autumn colour:** yellow | **Fruits:** striking, rich fruit yield, small, crabapple/ornamental apple | **Fruit colour:** red | **Bark colour:** dark brown | **Bark:** smooth | **Twig colour:** brown | **Twigs:** bare, horizontal branches | **Root system:** shallow, extensive, highly branched, central root

