

# Flowering Crabapple

*Malus coronaria*

-The Flowering Crabapple is considered a small tree. It will only grow to heights of 25 feet tall. This makes it an important tree for those homeowners who want to have more of an open restoration site. I could see this tree with many medium to tall-sized wildflowers planted underneath.

-Flowering Crabapple needs to grow in full sunlight, and it is slow growing, and relatively short-lived. It is an excellent ornamental tree and the fruit can be used for jellies and preserves.

-One of the greatest characteristics of the Flowering Crabapple is the wonderful aroma of the flowers.

-My grandfather used to refer to Flowering Crabapples on his property in Pelican Lake as “Wife Trees”. One day I asked him why he always called the Flowering Crabapple on his lake lot a Wife Tree, and he told me “I call it a Wife Tree, because it is a ‘blooming crab’”. Enough said. Sorry Grandma.



**Joy in looking and comprehending is nature's most beautiful gift.**

**-Albert Einstein**