



# Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady Malus 'Pink Lady'

Height: 15 feet Spread: 15 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4b

## **Description:**

Delicious, sweet-tart and crisp flavored yellow colored apples that are streaked with red; apples are good for eating fresh and storage; showy red flower buds open to fragrant white flowers.

## **Edible Qualities**

Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady is a small tree that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces gold round apples (which are botanically known as 'pomes') with a pink blush and white flesh which are usually ready for picking from mid to late fall. The apples have a tangy taste and a crisp texture.

The apples are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Cooking

#### **Features & Attributes**

Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady is clothed in stunning clusters of fragrant white flowers along the branches in early spring before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruits are showy gold apples with a pink blush, which are carried in abundance from early to late fall. The fruit can be messy if allowed to drop on the lawn or walkways, and may require occasional clean-up.



Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



This is a deciduous tree with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. 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 plant that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds and bees to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Messy
- Insects

Aside from its primary use as an edible, Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady is sutiable for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Orchard/Edible Landscaping

## **Planting & Growing**

Apple (Semi-Dwarf), Pink Lady will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This tree is typically grown in a designated area of the yard because of its mature size and spread. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. 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.

## Special Attributes

Growing fruit trees is a very tasty and rewarding food source, it does take time, energy and devotion to maintain so we recommend doing research before committing. The USDA has an Integrated Pest Management Program that has a great concept on what is required for the best success.