

Bechtel Crabapple

Malus ioensis 'Plena'



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Description

Typical height:
4-6 metres

Typical width:
5-7 metres

Growth rate:
Slow initial

Typical form:
Rounded open crown.

Origin

Staunton Illinois, USA

Characteristics

Small deciduous tree. Foliage provides good autumn colours, burnt orange to orange-red. Fragrant double pink flowers appear in late spring. Few small green fruit are produced.

Tolerances

High frost tolerance. Moderate drought and waterlogging. Susceptible to scale, and woolly aphid.

Facts and Trivia

The name 'ioensis' meaning 'from Iowa'.

Plena is a double-flowered variety of crab-apple that was first discovered in an old fence row in 1840. Has been a popular ornamental since the late 19th century.