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Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach

Prunus persica 'Bonfire'

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Common Peach

Description:

A popular dwarf peach that is quite ornamental, with showy pink flowers in spring and a low, spreading habit; stunning burgundy-purple leaves all season long; will tolerate some shade but needs full sun most of the time and well-drained soil



Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach is covered in stunning clusters of fragrant double pink flowers with coral-pink eyes along the branches in early spring, which emerge from distinctive rose flower buds before the leaves. It has burgundy deciduous foliage which emerges dark red in spring. The serrated narrow leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up.



Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach flowers
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Landscape Attributes

Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 tree will require occasional maintenance 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
- Insects
- Disease

Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach 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 3 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. 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, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



Bonfire Dwarf Ornamental Peach foliage
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