

# American Plum

*Prunus americana*



<b>Type</b>	Deciduous Shrub
<b>Height</b>	10 - 30 Feet
<b>Spread</b>	8 - 25 Feet
<b>Form</b>	Globular
<b>Utilities</b>	Compatible
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Moderate
<b>Life Expectancy</b>	Medium
<b>USDA Zone</b>	2 - 4a
<b>Root Type</b>	Fibrous Shallow

## Plant Community

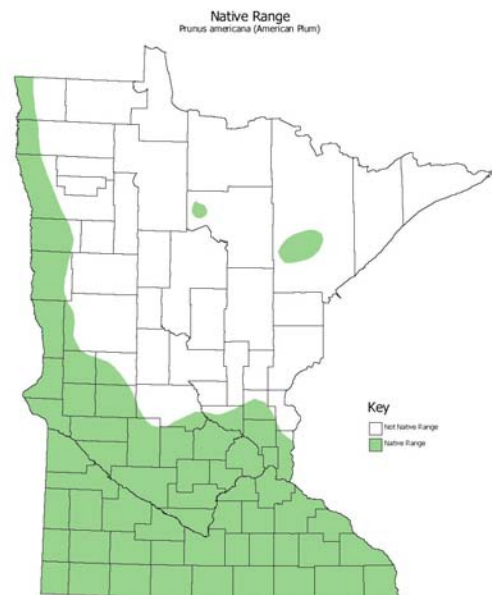
<b>Sun</b>	Full Sun
<b>Orientation</b>	All Orientations
<b>Soil Texture</b>	Loamy Sand through Silty Clay

**Soil Water Holding Capacity** Xeric or Mesic

**Topography** Upland

**Plant Community** Savanna, Open Cliff, Forest Edge or Old Field

**Succession** Pioneer



**Origin** MSA Zone 1, MSA Zone 2, MSA Zone 3, MSA Zone 4, MSA Zone 5, MSA Zone 6, Minnesota or North America

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### Flowers/Foliage/Fruit

<b>Flower Color</b>	White
<b>Flower Season</b>	Spring
<b>Fruit</b>	Drupe
<b>Fruit Color</b>	Red
<b>Fruit Season</b>	Summer

<b>Summer Texture</b>	Medium
<b>Winter Texture</b>	Medium
<b>Spring Foliage</b>	Green
<b>Summer Foliage</b>	Green
<b>Fall Foliage</b>	Yellow
<b>Winter Foliage</b>	Not Applicable



### Soils

<b>Salt Spray</b>	Sensitive
<b>Soil Salt</b>	Sensitive
<b>Compaction</b>	Intolerant
<b>Water Table</b>	24 Inches
<b>Drainage</b>	Excessive or Moderate
<b>Flood Tolerance</b>	Intolerant
<b>Drought Tolerance</b>	Tolerant
<b>Moisture Regime</b>	Dry, Moist or Wet
<b>pH</b>	6 through 8

### Planting Ease

<b>Spring Bareroot</b>	Easy
<b>Fall Bareroot</b>	
<b>Spring Container</b>	Easy
<b>Fall Container</b>	Easy
<b>Spring Seed</b>	
<b>Fall Seed</b>	

**Windbreak Group** WSG1K, WSG2, WSG2K, WSG3, WSG4L, WSG4F, WSG4C, WSG5, WSG6R, WSG6G, WSG7 or WSG9S

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## Maintenance

<b>Formal</b>	Moderate
<b>Informal</b>	Low
<b>2, 4-D Tolerance</b>	Sensitive
<b>DicambaTolerance</b>	Sensitive
<b>PicloramTolerance</b>	Sensitive
<b>Clopyralid Tolerance</b>	
<b>Artificial Light</b>	
<b>Sulfur Dioxide</b>	
<b>Ozone Tolerance</b>	
<b>Hydrogen Flouride</b>	Moderate
<b>Nitrogen Oxide</b>	

## Pests/Problems

<b>Allergens</b>	both sexes 5-7 depending on species
<b>Invasivness</b>	Invasive
<b>Toxicity</b>	
<b>Cold Injury</b>	Infrequent
<b>Storm Damage</b>	Frequent

## **Biological Control**

## **Mechanical Control**

## **Chemical Control**

## Comments

Native plant that forms thickets. Prized for making preserves. Use for wildlife and naturalized plantings. Good roadside plant where salt use is not heavy. Used as a rootstock for cultivars.

## Miscellaneous

<b>Wildlife Rating</b>	High
<b>Insect Concerns</b>	Minor
<b>Disease Concerns</b>	Minor
<b>Wildlife Concerns</b>	Rabbits and mice