



Prunus domestica 'Reine Claude Crottée'



Height	4-6 m
Width	4-5m
Crown	round/spherical, half-open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	brown
Leaf	green
Flowers	white, slightly fragrant, flowers in April
Fruits	edible fruits, greenish yellow
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6 (-23,3 to -17,8 °C)
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant)
Application	small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, clearstem fruit tree

'Reine Claude Crottée' is a plum tree with a slightly jagged, round, semi-open crown of 4-6 m in height. The stem branches are quite heavy and the crown becomes more open later in life. The tree flowers in the second half of April with lightly scented, white blossoms. 'Reine Claude Crottée' is not a self-pollinating variety, which means that a plum tree of another variety should always be planted in the vicinity. Preferably, 'Reine Claude d'Althan' or 'Reine Claude d'Oullins' is used for this purpose. The plums of 'Reine Claude Crottée' are small, round and greenish-yellow. The pale green flesh is juicy and distinctly sweet. The plums are ready for picking around the end of August-mid-September. They are very suitable for direct consumption or use in pies or purée.

'Reine Claude Crottée' is an old French plum variety dating back to the 16th century. Hardiness zone 6.