



Crataegus xmedia 'Paul's Scarlet'



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| Height | 6 - 8 (10) m |
| Width | 6-8m |
| Crown | broad spherical, later rounded, half-open crown, capricious growing |
| Bark and branches | bark brownish-grey, flaking off in platelets, twigs thorny |
| Leaf | ovoid, 3/5-lobed, dark green, 3 - 6 cm |
| Flowers | red double flowers in umbels, May-June |
| Fruits | none, fruitless cultivar |
| Spines/thorns | Yes |
| Toxicity | usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock |
| Soil type | makes few demands, preferably not too dry |
| Paving | tolerates paving |
| Winter hardiness zone | 5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C) |
| Wind resistance | moderate |
| Other resistances | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6) |
| Fauna tree | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant) |
| Application | avenues and broad streets, small gardens |
| Shape | clearstem tree, multi-stem treem |
| Origin | Wm. Paul, England, 1860 |
| Synonyms | Crataegus laevigata 'Paul's Scarlet' |

Sometimes grown as a shrub but mostly sold as a tree. The sturdy lateral branches that grow outwards create a more or less rounded open type of crown. It can eventually attain a maximum width of 6 to 7 m. The trunk and branches are grey. The branches are less thorny than those of the species. The thorns are approx. 2.5 cm long and viciously sharp. The dark green leaves are lighter on the underside. The entire tree is covered with blossom in the spring. The flowers turn from even to pale red. The tough hard roots go deep and spread wide. The soil must be sufficiently compact since the tree is sensitive to wind when the root system is not well developed. The tree is insensitive to atmospheric pollution. A much-loved tree in smaller gardens. Stands up to hard surfaces