



Crataegus xmedia 'Paul's Scarlet'



Height	6 - 8 (10) m
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, parks, squares, cemeteries, large gardens, small gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem tree
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