

The Pirtle Nursery Centurion Crabapple is a popular, disease-resistant ornamental tree known for its vibrant, rose-red flowers during springtime. They will have new reddish foliage and small, glossy cherry-red fruits that mature in fall which attract birds in the fall.

- Includes one Centurion Crabapple in a # 5 (3.740 gal) pot and detailed planting instructions.
- The Centurion Crabapple requires minimal pruning, any pruning done is best completed during late winter to remove damaged branches.
- Best grown in USDA Zones 4-8.
- Plant 15-25 feet apart.
- Requires full sun. Prefers well-drained, slightly acidic soil but is adaptable to other soil types. Generally resistant to common diseases, like scab and fire blight.
- Mature height will be 20-25 feet. Mature spread will be 15-20 feet.
- #5 size pot has actual size of 14.165 Liters (3.740 gal.)
- Grown in USA

Below are general planting instructions.

1. Remove tree and soil mix from plastic container.
2. Dig hole twice the width of pot and as deep.
3. Place roots, surrounded by potting soil from container, in the middle of hole. The top of potting soil should be slightly above ground level, as the plant will later settle. Be careful to not plant too deep as this will suffocate the root system.
4. Ensure the roots are not tightly compressed. Use your fingers or blunt instrument to loosen the potting soil/roots and spread gently to encourage outward growth into the surrounding earth.
5. Use soil that was removed while digging to fill hole back, but remember to only fill to top level of soil mix that is around plant.
6. Water soil, allow it to settle and add more soil if needed. Tamp lightly. (Tamp, for the majority of us who might not know, means to tap the soil with light to medium blows repeatedly.) This will help soil to settle.
7. Water plant again. Adding mulch around plant in a 1-2" layer will help retain moisture. If experiencing hot or dry weather it will be important to water plants more frequently, versus the recommended 1-2 times a week to water thoroughly.

Please review the recommended USDA Zones for your area. It is important to select plants with recommendations for your zone; otherwise, they will not be successful in your landscape due to their inability to grow in those weather conditions.