

Redbuds

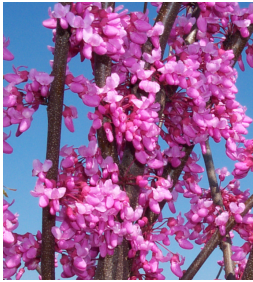


Redbuds are beautiful woodland-like trees and they are incredibly easy to grow. This is the only tree that flowers on its bark, this means

that the vibrant blooms appear on their trunk as well as on their branches. Redbuds bloom in April and their floral display is like no other flowering tree!

There are a few different varieties available, including Pennsylvania Pride's very own 'Pink Heartbreaker' - a brand new introduction! I'm sure you'll be able to find one that suits you and your garden perfectly.

Eastern Redbud: This Redbud is the original native tree. **Bright purplish-pink pea-like flowers** appear in April followed by deep green heart-shaped leaves. Foliage turns yellow in fall. Grows well in full sun but prefers partial shade. Mature size: 25' tall by 25' wide.



White Redbud: This vase-shaped tree produces **pure white pea-like flowers** before the leaves appear. The heart shaped foliage retains its deep green color through summer and changes to yellow in fall.

Grows well in full sun but prefers partial shade. Mature size: 25' tall by 25' wide.

Forest Pansy Redbud:

This beautiful Redbud has the same **purplish-pink pea-like flowers** as the Eastern Redbud only this tree produces **vibrant purple leaves** that hold their color throughout the season. Maintains best foliage color when planted in full sun. Mature size: 20' tall by 20' wide.



Pennsylvania Pride Pink Heartbreaker:

Introduced by Pennsylvania Pride in 2009. This is one **excellent weeping form** of Redbud! Pink Heartbreaker has a strong, vigorous

growth habit with **pink pea-like flowers** that appear in early spring before the broad heart-shaped foliage. Does best in full sun. Mature size: 10' tall by 8' wide.

After initial planting, Redbuds require keeping the soil moist (but not too wet). Once they are established however they are more tolerant of drought conditions.

During the fall season, be sure to fertilize your Redbud—they love fertilizer! Applying a high rate dose once a year for about the first three to four years should keep them quite content. And no need for pesticides—Redbuds have no major insect or disease problems—that's always a plus!

On occasion your Redbud might sprout "suckers" around the base of the tree. As they appear be sure to prune them off. And when it comes to regular pruning of Redbuds—don't be afraid! They are so easy to prune and you can prune them to whatever shape you like. If you don't want to prune it, that's fine. If you want to cut everything off except two branches that look like rabbit ears that's fine too (although you may get some weird looks from the neighbors—and your family).

With so many different varieties you have so many options on how to use a Redbud in your garden. Naturalizing is one option of course since Eastern and White Redbuds can tolerate lightly shaded areas, why not plant one or two along your tree line? You just can't pass up that beautiful vibrant spring color! And when it comes to specimen trees, you can't go wrong with Forest Pansy—that eye-catching purple foliage just stops you in your tracks! And the crème de la crème of specimen trees is Pennsylvania Pride Pink Heartbreaker for sure! A heart-stopping display of pink flowers on weeping branches, how can you go wrong? Simply breathtaking... But no matter what type of Redbud you're looking for you simply can't go wrong. Each are special in their own way which in turn makes your garden that much more special too. Enjoy!

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