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Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Prunus* 'Amanogawa' (Pag)

Common Name: Columnar flowering cherry

Species Description

- Deciduous
- Small columnar/[fastigiate](#) shaped tree with erect branches
- Green and red bark with a flaky texture
- Young leaves are greenish-bronze, and mature leaves are green changing to gold and red in autumn
- Dense clusters of semi-double shell-pink flowers in spring
- Small black [drupes](#) are rarely formed

Height and width

5 metres tall by 2 metres wide

Species origin

Japan

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required: $\geq 15\text{m}^3$
- Can be used in regional and town shopping centres and urban parks for spring colour
- Suitable for use in home gardens, particularly in narrow spaces

Use considerations

- High frost tolerance and moderate drought tolerance
- Prefers well-drained soils, although most soils with the exception of heavy clays are suitable
- May require additional irrigation during establishment
- Grows best in sun to part shade
- [Medium longevity](#)
- Slow to moderate growth rate
- Very low flammability
- Produces good nectar; attracts bees and birds
- May need spraying to avoid problems with pear and cherry tree slug

Examples in Canberra

Not known in Canberra in public plantings

Availability

Commercially available

