

'Prairie Red' Plum

Prunus sp. 'Prairie Red'



- **Plant Characteristics:** The wild plum is a hybrid plum that is winter -hardy in the Northern Great Plains. This is a medium -sized shrub and forms thickets. Edible fruit is sweet and used to make preserves and jellies.
- **Size:** Height: 15'
Width: 15'
- **Foliage:** Medium green changing to yellow or reddish in the fall.
- **Flower:** The white, 1" diameter flower blooms from April to May. Flowers are insect pollinated.
- **Fruit:** Produces large, tasty, red to yellow fruit up to 1.5 inches diameter . Plants grown in lower areas will have larger fruit..
- **Soil:** Adapted to a wide variety of soil types.
- **Best growth** occurs on silt loam soils.
- **Tolerances:** Fair to good drought tolerance.
- **USDA Hardiness Zone:** Zone 3—8
- **Light Range:** Full sun to partial shade.
- **pH Range:** 5.5 to 7.5 pH
- **Other:** Suckering is general less than the wild plum.
 - The plum furnishes both good habitat and food for wildlife.
 - Used for windbreaks and riparian plantings.
 - Root system is somewhat shallow and wider than crown spread.
 - Rapid growth rate.