PLANT FACT SHEET

Crataegus coccinioides Ashe

GENUS *Crataegus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Columbian hawthorn, Kansas hawthorn, Mississippi hawthorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 6 m high. The trunk is 20 cm across. The crown is broad and round. It is dense with spreading branches. The leaves are 6-7.5 cm long and 5-6 cm wide. They are oval with a short-pointed tip. There are several shallow lobes and double teeth along the edge. They are reddish when young and become dark green above and paler underneath. They become orange or red in autumn. The flowers are large. They are 2-2.5 cm wide with 5 white petals. They occur as 4-7 flowers in clusters. The fruit are large and dark red. They are 19 mm across and round but flattened at the ends. They are shiny dark red with pale dots. There are 5 seeds inside.

HABITAT

Temperate. It will grow in most soils. It is resistant to drought and frost.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. The seed need cold treatment. Plants can also be grafted.

NOTES

There are 200 or more Crataegus species.

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