Prunus armeniaca
(Apricot)

Apricot is originated from China and introduced to Europe via Armenia since 2000 years. The tree is medium sized with a roundish canopy, oval serretated leaves and red leaf stems. The flowers are almost the first one in the spring. Most cultivars don't need cross pollination. The tree needs a minimum of 300 chilling hours. They do best in full sun and mildly acidic to mildly alkaline soil.

### Landscape Information

| French Name: Abricotier          |
| Arabic Name: ﻣﺸﻤﺶ               |
| Pronunciation: PROO-nus ar-men-ee-AH-kuh |
| Plant Type: Tree                |
| Origin: China                   |
| Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 |
| Hardiness Zones: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 |
| Uses: Espalier, Specimen, Shade, Edible |

### Size/Shape

| Growth Rate: Moderate  |
| Tree Shape: Round     |
| Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical |
| Canopy Density: Medium |
| Canopy Texture: Medium |
| Height at Maturity: 8 to 15 m |
| Spread at Maturity: 8 to 10 meters |
| Time to Ultimate Height: 10 to 20 Years |
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Botanical Description

**Foliage**
- **Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate
- **Leaf Venation:** Pinnate
- **Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous
- **Leaf Type:** Simple
- **Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm
- **Leaf Shape:** Ovate
- **Leaf Margins:** Crenate, Serrate
- **Leaf Textures:** Glossy
- **Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance
- **Color (growing season):** Green
- **Color (changing season):** Yellow

**Flower**
- **Flower Showiness:** True
- **Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3
- **Flower Type:** Raceme
- **Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)
- **Flower Scent:** Pleasant
- **Flower Color:** White
- **Seasons:** Spring

**Trunk**
- **Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Suspected to breakage
- **Number of Trunks:** Single Trunk
- **Trunk Esthetic Values:** Smooth

**Fruit**
- **Fruit Type:** Drupe
- **Fruit Showiness:** True
- **Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7
- **Fruit Colors:** Orange
- **Seasons:** Spring
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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance
- **Frost Tolerant:** Yes
- **Heat Tolerant:** No
- **Drought Tolerant:** Yes
- **Salt Tolerance:** Poor

#### Requirements
- **Soil Requirements:**
- **Soil Ph Requirements:**
- **Water Requirements:**
- **Light Requirements:**

#### Management
- **Toxity:** No
- **Invasive Potential:** No
- **Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes
- **Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to develop a strong structure
- **Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes
- **Surface Rooting:** No
- **Life Span:** 25-50 years
- **Diseases:** Powdery Mildew, Canker, Blights, Wilts, Root rot
- **Edible Parts:** Fruit
- **Pests:** Mites, Caterpillars, Borers
- **Plant Propagations:** Cutting, Grafting
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