**Botanical Name:** *Prunus persica* (Non-fruiting cultivars) (Ppe)

**Common Name:** flowering peach

### Species description
- Deciduous
- Small rounded-shaped tree
- Smooth grey bark
- Leaves turn yellow in autumn
- Prolific flowers of white, pink or red in spring before leaves appear
- Non-fruiting cultivars include ‘Versicolor’ and ‘Magnifica’

### Height and width
5 metres tall by 5 metres wide

### Species origin
China, but widely cultivated via the silk road

### Landscape use
- Available Soil Volume required 11m³
- Can be used in parks and in suburban shopping centres
- Preferably plant in older suburbs which provide extra protection from hot summer winds
- Suitable for use in home gardens
- Requires a minimum clearance of 4 metres from buildings

### Use considerations
- Can be used in established areas of Canberra
- High frost tolerance (to minus 10 degrees Celsius) and moderate drought tolerance
- Performs well in most well-drained soils but does not like heavy clay
- **Medium longevity**
- Moderate growth rate and prefers full sun
- Very low to nil flammability
- Can require spraying for curly leaf
- Annual pruning after flowering can encourage more prolific flower growth the following year

### Examples in Canberra
Limestone Avenue, Reid and Captain Cook Crescent, Narrabundah

### Availability
Commercially available