

Apricot tree

Prunus armeniaca

QUICK FACTS

USDA ZONES

5–9

SUNLIGHT

Full Sun

HEIGHT

15–20 ft

AT A GLANCE

In zones 5-7 east of the Rockies, late spring frosts will eliminate the apricot crop in many years. Choose late-blooming varieties (Goldcot, Harcot, Sungold) to reduce this risk. In zones 8-9 or dry-summer regions, apricots are more reliably productive. A disease management spray program is required in all humid climates.

PLANTING CHECKLIST

- Match site to sun requirements above before buying
- Test soil drainage — dig a 12" hole, fill with water, time it (should drain in 1–2 hrs)
- Dig hole 2x wider than rootball, same depth
- Backfill with native soil — do NOT amend the planting hole
- Water deeply at planting and weekly for first 3 weeks
- Mulch 2" deep, keep mulch 2" away from trunk/stems

FULL GUIDE WITH SOURCES

<https://outdoorplantcare.com/plants/apricot-tree-care/>