Mayhaw



Mayhaws are native to the south eastern United States. Mayhaws are in the rose family and the hawthorn genus. They are medium sized trees that produce white blooms in the spring. Mayhaws produce a small apple-like fruit that is highly prized for its jelly. Fruit size usually is less than 1 inch in diameter. The trees are also valued as an ornamental species. They usually bloom in late February and sometimes sustain crop loss due to late winter freezes. The fruit usually ripens in early May. Mayhaw trees are cold hardy. Mayhaws often are found along river bottoms but perform best in well-drained soils.