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## Prunus domestica 'Reine Claude d'Althan'



Height	4-6 m
Width	4-5m
Crown	round/spherical, half-open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	brown
Leaf	green
Flowers	white, slightly fragrant, flowers in April-May
Fruits	edible fruits, red, purple/brown
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6 (-23,3 to -17,8 °C)
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant)
Application	small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem, clearstem fruit tree

'Reine Claude d'Althan' is a fairly vigorously growing plum tree with a slightly jagged, round, semi-open crown of 4-6 m in height. The stem branches are relatively long, making the crown slightly more open. The tree flowers around the end of April-early May with lightly scented, white blossoms. The flowers of 'Reine Claude d'Althan' are not self-pollinating, which means that a plum tree of another variety should always be planted in the vicinity. Preferably, 'Belle de Louvain', 'Opal' or 'Reine Claude d'Oullins' are used for this purpose. The plums of 'Reine Claude d'Althan' are medium-sized, round and red-purple in colour. The flesh is golden yellow, very juicy and tastefully sweet. The plums are ready for picking around the end of August-early September. They are very suitable for direct consumption or use in pies or purée. 'Reine Claude d'Althan' was found in 1867 by the gardener of the Hungarian Count Joseph d'Althan. Hardiness zone 6.