



Native Plant of the Year:  
**Eastern Redbud**  
*Cercis canadensis*



**Unique Characteristics**

The eastern redbud is a small, deciduous tree ideal for sun or shade. The tiny, purplish-pink flowers of this tree are among the first to bloom in the spring.

Plant type: **tree**

Native range: **Eastern and South-central North America**

Sun: **full sun to part shade**

Water: **medium watering**

Soil: **moist, well drained**

pH > **7.5**

Height: **20 to 35 feet**

Spread: **20 to 35 feet**

Wildlife: **birds eat seeds**

Hardiness zone: **4 to 8**



Photos courtesy of Ann McCulloch (top), J. Arthur Herrick (bottom left), and Jack Selby (bottom right)

