



戶外通識教室：好一朵迎春花

Nature's Classroom: HK Hawthorn blooms in early Spring

山薇名沃狀下，花物漫薈又肥齒面色，生見，及鋸葉紅序，喜花木耀細，粉花野總春喬照，革至形地處子或陽矩像白圓為，小光形皮色錐本處樣木沛或感花生果機的灌充形質。頂花生開綠喜卵，脈，其，盛常。澤葉花，地地立木生光狀開蕊大爛直班互帶巢量花臨燦生石子厚的大色重花原、葉身特別間紅。天春地梅；特月帶愛春野本輛地緣有；五喜當遍科車土葉層2-4瓣所



Hong Kong Hawthorn

(*Raphiolepis indica*)

Also known as “Spring Pear” or “Wheel Plum Tree” in Chinese. It is a native, erect evergreen shrub to small tree with alternate leaves in leathery texture, thick & glossy. Leaves are oblong & margin serrulated, Bird’s Nest vein on the lower leaf surface. It flowers between Feb & Apr. Showery, clusters of tiny white blossoms, with long red stamens. It decorates valleys & slopes with resplendent colours; displays dazzling beauty on a lovely spring day. Its flowers & fruits are the favourite food to local wildlife.