



Aesculus x carnea 'Plantierensis'



Height	12 - 15 m
Crown	spherical, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	grey-green, with light vertical grooves, non-sticky buds
Leaf	7 leaflets, shiny green, 15 - 22 cm
Flowers	pale yellow to flesh-coloured pink, erect panicles, May
Fruits	none, fruitless cultivar
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	all, preferably not too dry
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Application	avenues and broad streets, parks, squares, cemeteries, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree
Origin	Simon-Louis Frères, Metz, France, 1894
Synonyms	Aesculus x plantierensis

A hybrid between *A. hippocastanum* and *A. x carnea*. Eventually growing into a large tree with a heavy crown that throws a dark shade. The 7-lobed leaf consists of stalkless leaflets that are dark green on top and lighter underneath. Characteristic is the light hair growth along the veins and the underside of the leaf. The flower panicles are large: they have the same size as those of the *A. hippocastanum*. The colour of the flower is pale yellow when it appears and turns to a flesh-coloured pink. The tree bears no fruits, which makes it very suitable for squares and streets. The root system is formed by a main root which branches out well and goes deep into the ground. The soil must not be too dry. Intolerant to asphalt surfaces, unless the base area is large enough.