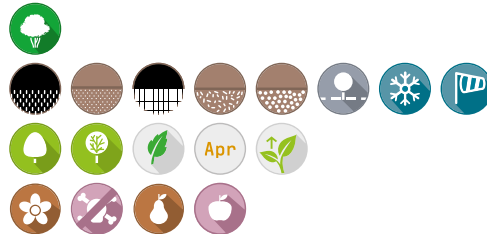




## Amelanchier rotundifolia



Height	2 - 3 m
Crown	broad ovoid, half-open crown
Bark and branches	light grey, smooth
Leaf	narrow oval to almost round, grey-green, 2 - 4 cm
Flowers	cream white, 1.5 - 2.5 cm, in erect racemes, mid-April/earl May
Fruits	blue-black, pruinose, 0.5 - 1 cm, edible, edible fruits
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	few soil requirements, prefers calcareous
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Application	parks, tree containers, cemeteries, roof gardens, large gardens, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	multi-stem treem
Origin	Central and southern Europe, North Africa and western Asia
Synonyms	Amelanchier ovalis Medik

Very variable species that usually grows as a shrub but can eventually grow into a small tree with a broad, ovoid crown. On emerging, the leaf has woolly hairs on the underside. These hairs disappear in the summer. The grey-green leaves vary in shape from a narrow oval to nearly round. The change of colour in autumn is not very spectacular: the leaf turns somewhat purplish red. The creamy white flowers open in erect racemes. They are of average size. The edible fruits are red at first, turning blue-black on ripening. Amelanchier has few soil requirements but grows best in calcareous soil.