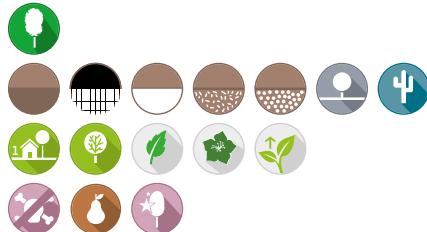




Celtis sinensis



Height	15 - 20 m
Crown	umbel-shaped to round, half-open crown
Bark and branches	twigs (reddish) brown, bark grey, smooth
Leaf	elliptical to ovate, 3 - 10 cm, tip pointed or tapering
Flowers	green, inconspicuous, April/May
Fruits	round drupe, green to orange-red or black, 0.5 - 1 cm, single or in clusters of up to three
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	well drained soil, tolerates drought
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates paving
Winter hardiness zone	7a (-17,7 to -15,0 °C)
Wind resistance	slightly susceptible
Application	parks, cemeteries, industrial areas, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree
Origin	Eastern China, Korea, Japan, Taiwan

Unremarkable large tree with a semi-open, umbel-shaped to round crown. As with many *Celtis* varieties, the first-year twigs can be strikingly long. They are brown to reddish brown, sometimes a little hairy. The older bark is smooth and grey. The leaves feel somewhat papery: the margin is toothed/serrated from the middle to the tip. The inconspicuous flower clusters are followed by red drupes. These can vary in colour from green to orange-red or black. Like many *Celtis* varieties, it is a warmth-loving plant that grows noticeably faster in a warm, dry environment than in a cold, wet climate. Prefers well-drained soil. Can tolerate drought and air pollution.