



Clerodendrum trichotomum



Height	circa 6 m
Crown	round, half-open crown
Bark and branches	light grey
Leaf	ovoid to heart-shaped, green, 8 - 15 cm
Flowers	white, with dark red calyx, bunches, August/September, fragrant flowers
Fruits	blue, borne red calyx
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	few requirements, tolerates sandy soil
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	7a (-17,7 to -15,0 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Fauna tree	valuable for butterflies
Application	parks, tree containers, cemeteries, large gardens, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	East China, Japan

A multiple-stemmed shrub by nature, sometimes cultivated as a tree. The leaf has a pointed tip and smells strongly of peanut butter when rubbed. The flower bunches are loose and open and consist of small, circa 1.5 cm large, white flowers that have a pleasant fragrance and a strikingly dark red calyx. They can become circa 20 cm across. Just as nice are the circa 1 cm, beautifully deep blue berries, borne on a persisting dark red calyx. The plant has fleshy roots and can be propagated by root cutting. Its location has to be sunny and warm. In cold winters the young twigs may be damaged. The variety fargesii is different because the calyx are green instead of red. The fruits are usually slightly lighter blue.