



## Paulownia elongata



<b>Height</b>	12 m, fast growing
<b>Crown</b>	flat-topped spherical, light, open crown, capricious growing
<b>Bark and branches</b>	twigs red-brown, bark grey-brown
<b>Leaf</b>	oval with pointed tip, green, 18 - 38 cm long, 8 - 22 cm wide
<b>Flowers</b>	light violet to violet, in erect panicles to approx. 35 cm, May
<b>Fruits</b>	ovoid capsule, long-lasting
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	any, preferably not wet soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	moderate to poor
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant)
<b>Application</b>	avenues and broad streets, parks, squares, cemeteries, large gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, multi-stem tree
<b>Origin</b>	Central China

Large tree with a round, later flat-topped spherical crown to approx. 12 m. Thick year-old branches are reddish brown. The firm extended branches form an arched crown. Older branches are hollow. The leaf is oval with a pointed tip. On the top it is hairless, the underside is covered with star-shaped hair that feels like felt. Just before the leaf emerges, flowers appear in large terminal, branched panicles. The trumpet-shaped flowers are around 7 cm long and light violet to violet. *P. elongata* resembles *P. tomentosa* but its leaves are slightly longer narrower and their tips more tapered. The flowers of *P. elongata* are fractionally bigger and slightly darker. The tree is sensitive to wind and so requires a sheltered site. In Central China, *P. elongata* is a valuable timber resource. In Henan province they are grown in large scale for lumber production.