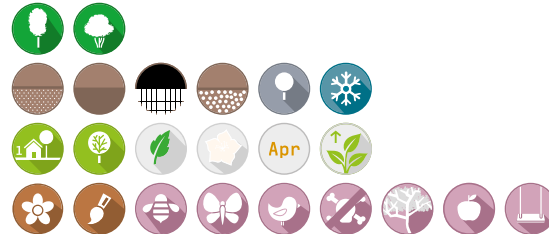




## Prunus avium



<b>Height</b>	15 - 20 m, fast growing
<b>Crown</b>	ovoid to round, half-open crown, capricious growing
<b>Bark and branches</b>	twigs reddish brown to grey, bark glossy brown-red, smooth
<b>Leaf</b>	ovate to elongated, green, 6 - 15 cm, autumn colour yellowish red
<b>Autumn colour</b>	yellow, red
<b>Flowers</b>	white, about 2.5 cm, April
<b>Fruits</b>	round, dark red, 1 - 1.5 cm, edible, edible fruits
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	limy, fertile, sandy soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	fairly
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	avenues and broad streets, parks, industrial areas, large gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
<b>Origin</b>	Europe, Asia Minor, Caucasus, western Siberia

A large tree often occurring in the wild as a multi-trunked shrub. It has a broad ovoid to rounded crown and attains a height of 15 - 20 m. The green, ovoid, elongated leaves measure 6 - 15 cm and are a yellowish-red in the autumn. The tree flowers in April with bundles of large, single white flowers measuring 3 - 3.5 cm. These are followed by dark red edible fruits. The tree can be used in a landscape, but also in (wooded) parkland and open green verges. It requires nutritious and humid soil. *Prunus avium* is often used as a graft trunk. The timber is used in the furniture industry, for wood carvings and in musical instruments. Winter hardiness zone: 4