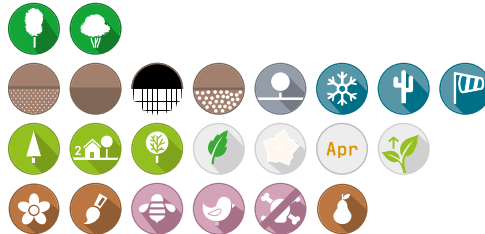




Pyrus communis 'Beech Hill'



Height	9 - 12 m
Crown	narrow pyramidal, half-open crown
Bark and branches	trunk dark grey, deeply grooved, twigs greenish brown
Leaf	oval to elliptical or round, glossy dark green, 4 - 8 cm
Autumn colour	yellow, orange, red
Flowers	pure white, in bundles, April
Fruits	yellowish brown small pears, approx. 2.5 - 5 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	neutral to calcareous, preferably dry
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C)
Wind resistance	good, also on the coast
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
Application	avenues and broad streets, narrow streets, parks, squares, tree containers, cemeteries, roof gardens, coastal areas, industrial areas, large gardens, small gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	England

Healthy, undemanding tree with a narrow, pyramidal crown. Height 9-12 m, width up to approx. 5 - 7 m. Old trees have a trunk that is dark grey to practically black, deeply grooved and flaking off in small bits. Young twigs start out slightly hairy but are soon bare. They turn greyish brown and sometimes have thorns. They are oval round to elliptical and glossy dark green, the edges are sharply serrated. The autumn colour is orange-red to yellowish red. Pure white flowers bloom profusely in April. The flowers, approx. 4 cm in diameter, grow in bundles of 5 to 9 together. Edible, fairly tasteless pear-shaped fruits follow in the autumn. Demands neutral to slightly calcareous soil. Tolerates dry conditions. Use as solitary tree and along narrow avenues and streets.