



## Pyrus nivalis



<b>Height</b>	6 - 10 m
<b>Crown</b>	round, half-open crown
<b>Bark and branches</b>	very dark grey, young shoots are a woolly silvery grey
<b>Leaf</b>	reverse ovoid to oval, silvery grey, later greyish green, 5 - 8 cm
<b>Autumn colour</b>	red
<b>Flowers</b>	in umbels, white, Ø approx. 2.5 - 3 cm, late April/May
<b>Fruits</b>	round, yellowish green, Ø 3 - 5 cm, edible fruits
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	places little demands
<b>Soil moisture</b>	suitable for dry soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	good
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	parks, coastal areas, large gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree
<b>Origin</b>	Central and South-Eastern Europe

Small tree with a round, loose crown made up of robust, vertical branches. Height 6 - 10 m, width 5 - 7 m. Young twigs are silvery white with hair. Older twigs are bare and turn darker, from grey to practically black. The trunk is also very dark grey to practically black. The twigs have no thorns. The oval to inverse oval leaves start out with white, velvety hair. They quickly change to glossy, greyish green. The underside of the leaf remains velvety white. The autumn colour is dark red. At the same time new leaves appear, the white, velvety flowers bloom in umbels. Diameter of flowers 2.5 - 3 cm. Yellowish green fruits follow in late summer. They have a tart taste. Particularly lovely solitary tree for parks and gardens. Requires direct sunlight. Tolerates dry conditions. The species name *Pyrus nivalis* is derived from the Latin word for snow white flowers that appear in early spring.