



Sorbus intermedia 'Brouwers'



Height	10 - 12 m
Crown	ovoid to spherical, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	bark smooth, blackish-grey, later grooved
Leaf	oval to ovoid, lobed, dark green, 6 - 10 cm
Autumn colour	yellow, orange
Flowers	cream white, in umbels of approx. 11 cm Ø, May, fragrant flowers
Fruits	ovoid to round, orange-red, fruits up to 1.2 cm Ø
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	makes few demands, grows best on calcareous soils
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C)
Wind resistance	good
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, parks, squares, tree containers, cemeteries, roof gardens, coastal areas, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem tree
Origin	Brouwers Boomkwekerij B.V., Groenekan, Netherlands, 1956

The 'Brouwers' cultivar has a better ascending top than the species and thus grows more uniformly. It is a slow grower with dense branches. The blackish-grey trunk remains smooth for a long time but is later grooved. Young twigs are greyish-brown to olive-brown, hairy at first but very quickly become bare. The leaves are lobed with 5 to 9 lobes on each side. On the upper side they are dark green and slightly glossy while the underside is white and felt-like: in the autumn they turn yellow to orange-yellow. Sometimes the autumn coloration fails to appear. The creamy white flowers give off a scent that is typical of the tree. After flowering the tree produces orange-red ovoid to round fruits in small umbels. These remain on the tree until October. It is a wind-resistant tree that stands up well to dry conditions. Can be used in coastal regions. 'Brouwers' bears considerably less fruit than the species. Resistant to fire blight.