



Prunus padus



Height	8 - 12 (15) m
Width	4-8m
Crown	broad ovoid, half-open crown
Bark and branches	twigs grey-brown, bark grey-brown, smooth
Leaf	oval to obovate, dark green, 6 - 12 cm
Flowers	white, in 6 - 7 cm long racemes, fragrant, April, fragrant flowers
Fruits	round, black, 0.7 - 0.9 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	all, adequately drained but moist soil
Soil moisture	withstand short flood, withstand long flood
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	3 (-40,0 to -24,5 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), provides food for birds
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Europe, except for Mediterranean area, northern Asia

Prunus padus is a native shrub that grows into a tree. It has a dense and broadly ovoid crown. It attains a height of 8 - 12 (15) m. The branches are a dull grey-brown and when damaged they smell of bitter almonds. The dark green oval to ovoid leaves have an irregularly serrated edge. Size 6 - 12 cm. Flowers in April, producing spreading or pendulous bunches of fragrant white flowers. It forms black fruit with a diameter of 7 - 9 mm. Used for scenic purposes. Winter hardiness zone: 3