Prunus 'Spire' (syn. Prunus × hillieri 'Spire') grows into a small tree with a columnar to narrow vase-shaped crown that later becomes broader thanks to the branches that bend downwards. It can be kept narrow by pruning regularly. Height approx. 6 - 8 m. The young leaves are a bronze colour, later green. Autumn colour reddish to purple-red. In mid-April a few single pale pink to white flowers appear, diameter approx. 3 cm. The flower buds are dark pink. Suitable for narrow streets as a standard tree. It does not stand up to wet soil. Winter hardiness zone: 6

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