



Sorbus aucuparia 'Sheerwater' Seedling'



Height	10 - 12 m
Width	4-5m
Crown	spherical to narrow ovoid, half-open crown
Bark and branches	light grey, smooth bark, twigs brown
Leaf	imparipinnate, up to 20 cm long, 9-17 (21) leaflets, grey-green, feathered leaf
Autumn colour	yellow, red
Flowers	in umbels, Ø approx. 14 cm, white, May, when the leaves emerge
Fruits	orange-red, Ø approx. 1 cm, in large umbels
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	makes few demands, can grow on poor soils
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °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, narrow streets, tree containers, roof gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem tree
Origin	England, circa 1950

Ascending, fast-growing tree with a closed spherical crown that becomes ovoid later. The eventual height is approx. 12 m and the tree becomes 4 to 5 m broad. The trunk and branches grow vertically: the smooth trunk is light grey. Young twigs are brown and bear many lenticels. It is distinguished from the species by the grey-green colour of the imparipinnate leaves that turn yellowish-red in the autumn. The small fragrant flowers appear in large umbels. The numerous orange-red fruits appear very early, in July and August. The birds are very keen on them. 'Sheerwater Seedling' grows best on sandy soil that is not too moist and in a sunny site.