



Sorbus intermedia 'Brouwers'



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| Height | 10 - 12 m |
| Width | 4-6m |
| 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, tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas |
| Shape | clearstem tree, multi-stem treem |
| Origin | Brouwers Boomkwekerijen 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.