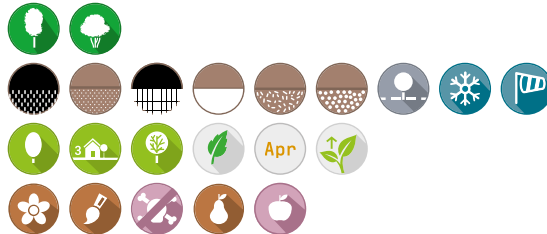




Amelanchier laevis 'Snowflakes'



Height	4 - 6 (10) m
Width	4-6m
Crown	narrow oval, later broader, half-open crown
Bark and branches	light grey, smooth
Leaf	broadly elliptical, dark green, 3 - 7 cm
Autumn colour	yellow, red
Flowers	White, 2.5 - 3.5 cm, in long, rather overhanging racemes, earl April/earl May
Fruits	brownish red, edible, edible fruits
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	few soil requirements, prefers calcareous
Paving	tolerates partial 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
Application	narrow streets, tree containers, roof gardens, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Proefstation voor de Boomkwekerij, Boskoop, Netherlands, 1991

Initially grows as a large, fairly slender, vertical shrub, growing later into a small tree with a broader, oval crown. The dark green leaf emerges with a slightly bronze colour. It is somewhat irregular, broadly elliptical and turns yellow and red in autumn. In comparison with other cultivars, the leaf is rather less attractive, but the bright white flowers are strikingly big. This effect is reinforced because they are grouped in somewhat overhanging racemes. They are followed by brownish red, edible fruits. The plant has a reasonable to good fruit yield. 'Snowflakes' originated from seed imported from Canada by Proefstation voor de Boomkwekerij in Boskoop (NL). Amelanchier has few soil requirements but grows best in calcareous soil.