



## Aralia elata 'Variegata'



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| <b>Height</b>                | 3-5 m                                                           |
| <b>Width</b>                 | 3-4m                                                            |
| <b>Crown</b>                 | vase-shaped, light, open crown, capricious growing              |
| <b>Bark and branches</b>     | gray with venomous spines                                       |
| <b>Leaf</b>                  | cream variegated, pinnate compound leaf                         |
| <b>Autumn colour</b>         | yellow, orange, red                                             |
| <b>Flowers</b>               | in large plumes upto 35cm long, cream white, flowers in August  |
| <b>Fruits</b>                | black, 6mm                                                      |
| <b>Spines/thorns</b>         | Yes                                                             |
| <b>Toxicity</b>              | has toxic components                                            |
| <b>Soil type</b>             | clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, all soil types |
| <b>Soil moisture</b>         | suitable for dry soil, withstand short flood                    |
| <b>Paving</b>                | tolerates no paving                                             |
| <b>Winter hardiness zone</b> | 5 (-28,8 to -23,4 °C)                                           |
| <b>Wind resistance</b>       | not good                                                        |
| <b>Other resistances</b>     | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)                                   |
| <b>Fauna tree</b>            | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for butterflies         |
| <b>Application</b>           | small gardens, patio gardens                                    |
| <b>Shape</b>                 | multi-stem treem                                                |

Aralia elata 'Variegata', like the green-leaved species A. elata, this variegated variant is also a very characteristic tree. It has more or less the same growth form as the green-leaved species and grows with relatively few, thick branches into a vase-shaped, later round tree of about 5 m. Initially, the tree grows vase-shaped, but at a later age the growth length decreases and the crown becomes round. The thick branches are strongly spiny. The double-pinnate leaves are very large, sometimes up to more than a metre long. They consist of up to 80 partial leaves that are green with narrow creamy-white margins. The autumn colours are yellow to orange-red with the white-white parts turning redder. Large panicles of creamy white flowers appear in August, sometimes followed by small black fruits. The flowers are crowded by bees. Like A. elata, 'Variegata' prefers a somewhat sheltered spot in full sun or semi-shade. The tree can form a lot of root storage through underground shoots, which can be a nuisance in some cases. Prevent the tree from catching a lot of wind; the large compound leaves are easily damaged. Plant the tree in nutrient-rich, humus-rich soil that is sufficiently moist, even though temporary drought is well tolerated. Beautiful solitary tree or for use