



## Elaeagnus angustifolia



<b>Height</b>	4 - 8 (12) m
<b>Width</b>	4-8m
<b>Crown</b>	oval round, open, half-open crown, capricious growing
<b>Bark and branches</b>	greyish green bark, shallow grooves, twigs silvery with thorns
<b>Leaf</b>	lanceolate, matted green, silvery grey underneath, 3 - 9 cm
<b>Flowers</b>	1 to 3 together, silver yellow, May/June, fragrant flowers
<b>Fruits</b>	oval, yellow drupe, edible, Ø approx. 1 cm
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	Yes
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	calcareous sandy soil, preferably dry
<b>Soil moisture</b>	suitable for dry soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	3 (-40,0 to -24,5 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	good, suitable for coastal areas
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, resistant to de-icing salt
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, resistant to de-icing salt, provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas, industrial areas, small gardens, patio gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
<b>Origin</b>	Mediterranean area to Western and Central Asia

High, loosely growing shrub that ultimately grows to become a small, multi-trunked tree. Naturally occurring in dry places such as dunes and dry riverbeds. It can sometimes grow up to 12 m there. Growth is irregular, with thin twigs that fan out. Has an open crown shape that can grow to a width of approx. 5 - 7 m. The twigs turn from a silvery grey to reddish brown colour. Often bears strong thorns. The matted green, lanceolate leaves are 3 - 9 cm long and approx. 2.5 cm wide. The velvety underside is a striking silvery white colour. The bell-shaped flowers, approx. 1 cm in size, sometimes grow in clusters of 2 to 3 together. They have a strong aroma and are followed by olive-shaped, yellow drupes. They are edible and taste slightly sweet. Prefers a light and sunny, calcareous site. Suitable for industrial areas. Tolerates de-icing salt.