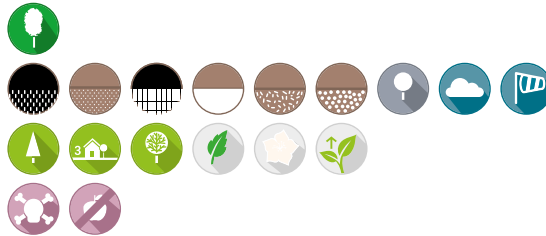




Ilex aquifolium 'Atlas'



Height	5-6 m
Width	3-4m
Crown	narrow conical, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	brown, green
Leaf	evergreen
Flowers	white, flowers in May
Fruits	fruitless cultivar
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	has toxic components
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, nutrient-poor soil, acid soil, calcareous soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	7a (-17,7 to -15,0 °C)
Wind resistance	very good
Other resistances	can withstand wind
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree

Small tree with densely branched, compact, pyramidal crown of 5 - 6 m. Young twigs are bright green, mature bark is green-brown and smooth. The leaves are ovate to broadly elliptical and very glossy dark green. The margins are very undulate, with 2 - 6 strong, sharp prickles on each side. The flowers are small and fairly inconspicuous. This male cultivar does not bear fruit. Can be regarded as 'counterpart' of the female Alaska. Prefers a humic, moist but well-drained soil and tolerates either acidic or calcareous soil. Also suitable for use as a hedge.