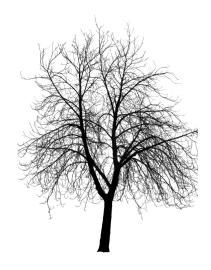


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Ligustrum vulgare



Height	3-5 m
Width	2-5m
Crown	dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	brown, grey
Leaf	green
Flowers	white, flowers in June-July
Fruits	black
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	has toxic components
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty 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)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens

Common privet is a medium-sized, vase-shaped shrub branching from the base. This species, because of its basal branching, almost never grows into a small tree. It is a variable species, with plants sometimes deciduous and sometimes semi-evergreen. Of course, this partly depends on frost periods. Leaf shape and size is also variable. Around midsummer, the white flowers open in dense panicles. The flowers have a woefully sweet fragrance and are highly favoured by bees. They are followed by glossy black berries. Rarely the berries are dark green or yellow.

L. vulgare is the only species native to the Netherlands. The shrub grows in the Zeeland, South Holland and North Holland dunes, preferably on calcareous sandy soil. It is a very versatile species. Because of its good branching and the fact that the plants tolerate pruning very well, it is a popular hedge plant. L. vulgare is also very suitable as a filler shrub and in greenbelts.