



## Sorbus aucuparia



<b>Height</b>	10 - 15 m
<b>Width</b>	6-8m
<b>Crown</b>	broad ovoid, half-open crown
<b>Bark and branches</b>	light grey, smooth bark, later slightly flaky, twigs brown
<b>Leaf</b>	imparipinnate, up to 20 cm long, 9-17 (21) leaflets, matt dark green, feathered leaf
<b>Autumn colour</b>	yellow, orange, red
<b>Flowers</b>	in umbels, Ø approx. 14 cm, white, May/June
<b>Fruits</b>	orange-red to red, Ø approx. 1 cm
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	makes few demands, can grow on poor soils
<b>Soil moisture</b>	suitable for dry soil, withstand short flood
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	good
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	avenues and broad streets, tree containers, roof gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, feathered tree, multi-stem tree
<b>Origin</b>	Europe, Asia Minor, North Africa

This tree occurs naturally in practically the whole of Europe. It has a broad ovoid crown. In its early years the crown is fairly narrow but broadens out later. Because of its abundant fruit the branches bend, eventually making the crown almost rounded. The smooth trunk is light grey and flakes off somewhat at a later stage. The young twigs are light brown and carry many lenticels. The imparipinnate leaves consist of 9 - 17 (21) elongated leaflets with a roughly serrated edge. The autumn colour is yellow to orange-red. The orange-red to red fruits appear simultaneously with the autumnal colour. Because it makes few demands of the soils this tree occurs in a variety of places, especially in woodland and on wooded banks, where its fruit attracts many birds. Also grows on dry poor soils.