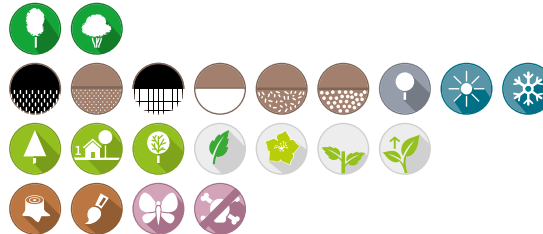




Betula ermanii 'Blush'



Height	10 - 15 m
Width	6-10m
Crown	wide pyramidal, half-open crown
Bark and branches	white bark with red hue
Leaf	narrow ovoid with acute top, dark green, 9 - 11 cm
Autumn colour	yellow
Flowers	catkins, yellow green, ♀ single and erect, ♂ 4 - 6 cm, April
Fruits	ovoid fruiting catkins, 2 - 3 cm long
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	few requirements, tolerates rather moist soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for butterflies
Application	tree containers, roof gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Dutch selection
Synonyms	Betula costata HORT

Wide shrub to average-sized tree with a wide pyramidal crown. Because of its width and the fairly low starting branching, it is a tree that requires space. Often mistaken for *B. costata* due to its large resemblance, but is however, a variety of *B. ermanii*. The white bark often has a red hue, which explains the cultivar name of 'Blush'. Because of this very nice colour of the stem it is a beautiful park tree, which is worthwhile planting, both as a solitary and in groups. The leaf is strong and has a double-toothed margin. It is bigger than of the *B. ermanii* 'Holland', the autumn colour is strikingly yellow. The tree is shallow rooting with a delicate root system and many fibrous rootlets. Susceptible to (sea) wind.