



Cornus kousa 'Summer Stars'



Height	6-8 m
Width	6-8m
Crown	oval, dark, dense crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	brown, grey
Leaf	green, bluegreen
Autumn colour	yellow, red, purple
Flowers	white, flowers in May
Fruits	red
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, valuable for butterflies
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem

Grows from a shrub into a multi-stemmed tree up to about 8 m, with a broad, oval crown. The leaf is dark green on top and blue-green on the underside, with a slightly undulate leaf margin. The autumn colour is reddish purple. Each flower head is surrounded by four white, freestanding to slightly overlapping bracts. The flower clusters remain on the plant for very long, often about 6 weeks. When the first characteristically red, strawberry-like fruits form, the last flowers are often still on the tree. The plant is shallow rooting with a fibrous root system and requires humic soil, which is not too dry.