



Enkianthus campanulatus



Height	3-5 m
Width	2-3m
Crown	ovoid / egg-shaped, half-open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	brown, grey
Leaf	green
Autumn colour	red
Flowers	pink, flowers in April-May
Fruits	brown
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Application	tree containers, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	multi-stem treem

Enkianthus campanulatus is a large shrub that can grow into a small tree 3-5 m tall after many years. The young twigs are green, but on the sunny side they are distinctly red-tinged. The plant grows with two types of twigs; long twigs on which the leaves are scattered and short side shoots where the leaves are arranged in whorls at the end of the shoots. The leaves sprout fresh green and turn dark green in summer. In autumn, the leaves of E. campanulatus turn brilliant orange to deep orange-red before shedding. In spring, drooping clusters of bell-shaped flowers appear under the unfurling leaves. The flowers are pink and pale pink striped. The plant's pagoda-like growth habit makes the flowers stand out well. The brown, dry box fruits contain many dusty seeds and, in contrast, are not very conspicuous.

Enkianthus campanulatus is a stately shrub that requires a well-drained acidic to neutral soil. Although within the Ericaceae family it is one of the plants that tolerates lime best. Nevertheless, the foliage can become chlorotic on calcareous soils. Versatile plant for use in parks, gardens and cemeteries.