



Fagus sylvatica 'Dawyck'



Height	20 - 25 m
Width	4-5m
Crown	narrow pyramidal, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	smooth, grey bark, soft
Leaf	oval to ovate, curved leaf margin, dark green, 4 - 10 cm
Autumn colour	yellow
Flowers	small inconspicuous catkins, May
Fruits	nuts, burrs with brush-like shell, 1 - 2 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	well-drained, rich soil of high humus content, not too wet
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5b (-26,0 to -23,4 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Application	avenues and broad streets, narrow streets
Shape	clearstem tree, feathered tree
Origin	Lt. Col. A. Balfour, Dawyck, Scotland, 1864
Synonyms	Fagus s. 'Fastigiata'

Fagus sylvatica 'Dawyck' is a slender, pyramidal tree with straight upright branches with upright twigs. The branching starts low on the trunk. It is very shape-tied and can attain a height of 20 - 25 m and a width of circa 3 m. The soft bark is smooth and has a grey colour. The oval to ovate leaves are shiny dark green and can become 4 - 10 cm. 'Dawyck' flowers with small, inconspicuous flowers and less generously than F. sylvatica. The inflorescence is followed by 10 - 20 mm large nuts, only at a mature age does the tree bear abundantly. 'Dawyck' can be used as a solitary, avenue and park tree and prefers a well-drained, not too wet soil of high humus content. Moderately wind-resistant. First commercially exploited by A. Hesse, Weener (D), 1913.