



Ligustrum vulgare 'Atrovirens'



Height	2-4 m
Width	2-4m
Crown	dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	brown, grey
Leaf	green
Flowers	white, flowers in June-July
Fruits	black
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	has toxic components
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil
Paving	tolerates paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °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, provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens

As 'Atrovirens' always branches from the base, this shrub will not develop a tree-like habit. It is a very vigorously growing shrub up to about 3.5 m high. The leaves are oval to ovate-elongated and a healthy dark green colour. The leaves sometimes do not fall from the plant until February, making it effectively semi-evergreen. The flower panicles are relatively small at 2-4 cm long. In addition, the plant is not very floriferous. The flowers are white and open around mid-June-mid-July. They may be followed by glossy black berries, but these too are not produced in abundance. Because of its fine growth, 'Atrovirens' is extremely suitable as a hedge plant. But the shrub can also be used well in mixed plantings, although other, richer flowering species or cultivars may then be preferable. 'Atrovirens' was introduced by the German Spätsche Baumschulen in 1888. Hardiness zone 5a.