



Paulownia elongata



Height	12 m, fast growing
Width	10-12m
Crown	flat-topped spherical, light, open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	twigs red-brown, bark grey-brown
Leaf	oval with pointed tip, green, 18 - 38 cm long, 8 - 22 cm wide
Flowers	light violet to violet, in erect panicles to approx. 35 cm, May
Fruits	ovoid capsule, long-lasting
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	any, preferably not wet soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate to poor
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant)
Application	avenues and broad streets
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Central China

Large tree with a round, later flat-topped spherical crown to approx. 12 m. Thick year-old branches are reddish brown. The firm extended branches form an arched crown. Older branches are hollow. The leaf is oval with a pointed tip. On the top it is hairless, the underside is covered with star-shaped hair that feels like felt. Just before the leaf emerges, flowers appear in large terminal, branched panicles. The trumpet-shaped flowers are around 7 cm long and light violet to violet. *P. elongata* resembles *P. tomentosa* but its leaves are slightly longer narrower and their tips more tapered. The flowers of *P. elongata* are fractionally bigger and slightly darker. The tree is sensitive to wind and so requires a sheltered site. In Central China, *P. elongata* is a valuable timber resource. In Henan province they are grown in large scale for lumber production.