



## Prunus serrula 'Branklyn'



<b>Height</b>	6-8 m
<b>Width</b>	3-4m
<b>Crown</b>	vase-shaped, half-open crown
<b>Bark and branches</b>	twigs dark brown, bark shiny mahogany red, strongly flaking
<b>Leaf</b>	green
<b>Autumn colour</b>	yellow, orange
<b>Flowers</b>	cream white, flowers in April
<b>Fruits</b>	red, black
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, calcareous soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	fairly to good
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for bees (honey plant)
<b>Application</b>	avenues and broad streets, narrow streets, tree containers, small gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem

Prunus serrula is a species known in England as the Birch bark cherry. The species owes this name to its shiny, mahogany-coloured bark that peels off paper-like. 'Branklyn' differs from this species in that the crown is narrow vase-shaped when young and vase-shaped when older. This makes the tree much more widely applicable than the species P. serrula, which has a round crown. The bark is shiny mahogany-red/brown, slightly lighter and perhaps even smoother and shinier than in P. serrula. The bark leaves off attractively in papery strips. The dark green leaves turn yellow in autumn before falling off. The flowers are arranged in clusters of up to 4 flowers together or are single. They are creamy white and open in April. They may be followed by small red fruits that later turn black. The flowers and fruits are dwarfed in ornamental value by the beautiful bark. 'Branklyn' was selected as an unnamed seedling in the garden of the same name in Perth, Scotland, because of its beautifully different crown shape and bark. Like P. serrula, 'Branklyn' does not tolerate wet soils. Very suitable for use in gardens, parks, narrow profiles and in A-locations.