



# Syringa vulgaris 'Andenken an Ludwig Späth'



Height	3-5 m
Width	2-3m
Crown	round, half-open crown
Bark and branches	flaking, brown, grey
Leaf	dark green
Flowers	purple, flowers in May, fragrant flowers
Fruits	brown
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	clayed soil, loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, all soil types
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °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, valuable for butterflies
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, small gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem

'Andenken an Ludwig Späth' is a small tree with a round crown growing 3-5 m tall. The young twigs are grey-green and the old bark is grey-brown, flaking off slightly in small patches later in life. The broad ovoid leaves are dark green in colour. The flower panicles are relatively narrow, but at 18-28 cm long, they are remarkably large. The individual flowers are about 2 cm in size. The flower buds are dark purple and contrast well with the lighter purple opened flowers. They have a strong and pleasant fragrance. The flowers open in the first half of May. *Syringa vulgaris* grows in any nutritious and humus-rich soil. The plant prefers neutral to calcareous soil. 'Andenken an Ludwig Späth' is very suitable for use in parks and gardens. Due to the German cultivar name, which is difficult to pronounce in some languages, the plant is sometimes grown as 'Souvenir de Louis Spaeth'.

'Andenken an Ludwig Späth' was introduced in 1883 by the Späth'schen Baumschulen of Berlin, Germany. Hardiness zone 4.