



## Asimina triloba



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| <b>Height</b>                | 6 m                                                                                          |
| <b>Width</b>                 | 4-6m                                                                                         |
| <b>Crown</b>                 | columnar, dark, dense crown                                                                  |
| <b>Bark and branches</b>     | branches light brown, bark dark brown to gray brown, rough                                   |
| <b>Leaf</b>                  | obovate to oblong obovate, 10-25 (30) cm long, bright green, autumn color golden yellow goud |
| <b>Autumn colour</b>         | yellow                                                                                       |
| <b>Flowers</b>               | solitary in the leaf axils, 2,5-5cm, brown purple, May                                       |
| <b>Fruits</b>                | oval to broadly elongated, light green to yellow-green, 5-12 cm, edible                      |
| <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, peaty soil                                              |
| <b>Paving</b>                | tolerates no paving                                                                          |
| <b>Winter hardiness zone</b> | 5 (-28,8 to -23,4 °C)                                                                        |
| <b>Wind resistance</b>       | moderate                                                                                     |
| <b>Other resistances</b>     | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)                                                                |
| <b>Fauna tree</b>            | resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for butterflies                                      |
| <b>Application</b>           | small gardens, patio gardens                                                                 |
| <b>Shape</b>                 | clearstem tree                                                                               |

Asimina triloba is a small tree with a regular pyramidal crown up to about 6 m in height. Although the tree does not branch extremely densely, the relatively large leaves give the crown a full and compact appearance. The young twigs are light brown, the old bark is darker brown to grey-brown and flakes off roughly in small plates. The prominent, large leaves are inverted ovoid to oblong inverted ovoid. When unfurling and in summer they are bright green. In autumn, they turn a deep golden yellow before falling off. The flowers open just after leaf sprouting, around the beginning of May. The single flowers appear in the leaf axils of the leaves, which largely hide the flowers from view. The flowers are typically triangular in shape and purple-brown. After pollination, the fruits are formed, which hang together in bundles of three to six. These are oval to broadly oblong and light green to yellow-green but often covered with a very thin layer of wax, giving them a slightly blue haze.

The fruits are edible; the flesh tastes, with some imagination, like a mix of mango and banana.

Originally, A. triloba is a forest plant, which explains the need for airy, humus-rich soil. Nevertheless, the tree can be planted in full sun just fine. The tree is excellent hardy, but with more warmth the fruits ripen better.