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Cercidiphyllum japonicum 'Rotfuchs'



Height	8 - 10 m
Width	4-6m
Crown	columnar to narrow oval, dark, dense crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	grey, smooth at first, peeling in strips later
Leaf	ovate to nearly round, 4 - 8 cm, matt dark purplish brown
Flowers	inconspicuous, reddish, April, fragrant flowers
Fruits	inconspicuous follicle (on female trees)
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	loose, preferably loamy, not too dry, cannot tolerate drought
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	5 (-28,8 to -23,4 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Application	small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, feathered tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Karl Fuchs, Neunkirchen, Germany, 1977
Synonyms	Cercidiphyllum japonicum 'Red Fox'

Very striking small to medium size tree, initially with a columnar crown that becomes a narrow oval after some years. The twigs and bark have the grey colour typical of the species. The leaf, however, is somewhat smaller and matt purplish brown. On emerging it is rather brighter and redder, but turns dark in the second half of summer. The leaves feel rather thick and leathery. Autumn colour somewhat orange-brown. As typical for the species, the falling leaf has a pleasantly spicy/cinnamon scent. Thrives in loose, preferably loamy soil. Poor tolerance to drought but thrives well in bright sunlight. The spring leaf is sensitive to night frosts. Was grown by Karl Fuchs from seeds he collected at the Exotenwald at Weinheim.