



Crataegus ×mordenensis 'Toba'



Height	4 - 6 m
Width	3-5m
Crown	round/spherical, half-open crown
Bark and branches	flaking, brown, grey
Leaf	green
Flowers	cream white, light pink, flowers in May
Fruits	red
Spines/thorns	Yes
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil
Paving	tolerates no 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
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, valuable for bees (honey plant)
Application	avenues and broad streets, narrow streets, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree

Toba' is a small tree with a round, semi-open crown with a height of 4-6 m. The twigs are brown and the old bark is grey-brown and slightly flaky. The branches have thorns, but at about 1.5 cm long, these are distinctly shorter than in both cross ancestors. The mid-green leaves are inversely ovate, 5-7 cm long and with 2- to 4 lobes. In May, the corymbs open semi-double flowers. These are white when opening, but turn light pink during flowering. The fruits are round, about 1 cm in size and red.

'Toba' was created in 1935 from a cross between *Crataegus* ×media 'Paul's Scarlet' and *C. succulenta*. This happened at Canada's Morden Experiment Farm. The hybrid was subsequently named after the place Morden. Has few soil requirements. The tree prefers to grow on loamy and sandy soils and does not tolerate paving. Suitable as a tree for wide avenues and streets, parks, squares, gardens, amusement parks and cemeteries. Hardiness zone 5