



Syringa vulgaris 'Monique Lemoine'



Height	3-4 m
Width	2-3m
Crown	broad oval, half-open crown
Bark and branches	flaking, brown, grey
Leaf	green
Flowers	white, 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	multi-stem treem

'Monique Lemoine' is a large shrub to small tree with a broad oval crown of 3-4 m reached. The young twigs are green and the old bark is grey-brown, flaking off slightly in small patches later in life. The broadly ovoid leaves are 9-12 cm long and are light green to mid-green in colour. The flower panicles are large and quite broad. They are about 15-22 cm long and 9-12 cm wide. The individual flowers are remarkably large, reaching 2.5-3 cm in diameter. The flower buds are pale greenish-yellow. The opened flowers are pure white and fully filled with narrow corolla lobes, giving the blooms a finer texture. They have a strong and pleasant fragrance. The flowers open in the first half of May. 'Monique Lemoine' flowers very richly, with up to four flower panicles per branch. This enhances the impression of a full, richly flowering plant.

Syringa vulgaris grows in any nutrient-rich and humus-rich soil. The plant prefers neutral to calcareous soil. 'Monique Lemoine' is very similar to 'Mme Lemoine', but differs from it in that the tree grows more vigorous and the flowers are slightly less double. Like the other cultivars of S. vulgaris, 'Monique Lemoine' is very suitable for use in parks and gardens. 'Monique Lemoine' was introduced by Victor Lemoine & Fils in Nancy, France, in 1839. Hardiness zone 4.