Rosaceae Prunus

Prunus 'Umineko'

Height 6 - 8 m
Crown columnar, half-open crown
Bark and branches grey-brown, smooth
Leaf oval, dark green, 5 - 6 cm
Attractive autumn colour orange, red, purple
Flowers clear white, single, Ø approx. 2.5 cm, 2 to 3 together, April, fragrant flowers
Fruits none, fruitless cultivar
Spines/thorns none
Toxicity non-toxic (usually)
Soil type all types, preferably not too wet
Paving tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness 6 (-23.3 to -17.8 °C)
Wind resistance fairly
Wind / frost / salt resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree valuable for bees (honey plant)
Application avenues and broad streets, narrow streets, parks, squares, tree containers, theme parks, cemeteries, large gardens, small gardens
Type/shape clearstem tree, feathered tree, multi-stem tree, specimen tree
Origin Collingwood Ingram, England, 1928

A small ascending ornamental cherry with a columnar crown. Height 6 - 8 m, but broader than P. serrulata 'Amanogawa'. Has a grey-brown smooth bark. The dark green oval leaves have a sharply toothed edge. They are approx. 7 cm in size and have a pretty orange to reddish-purple autumnal colour. Flowers abundantly in April, producing white single flowers that grow in twos and threes together. Flower diameter approx. 2.5 cm. The flowers emerge simultaneously with the light green leaves. 'Umineko' came from a cross between P. incisa and P. serrulata var. speciosa. This cross also produced P. Snow Goose. Because of its abundant flowers and remarkable crown 'Umineko' is a very useful tree.