

Amelanchier 'Ballerina'
Ballerina serviceberry



Amelanchier 'Ballerina' (Ballerina serviceberry) is a beautiful vase-shaped shrub or small tree of 5 to 7 metres in height. It is a selection from 1980 by the testing station for the tree nursery in Boskoop.

The species blooms rich with large racemes of white flowers in late April to early May, right before its leaves sprout. The leaves bud bronze and green in the summer with a grey-green underside. The autumn colours are a gorgeous orange-red. The Ballerina serviceberry has a rich fruit production. The sweet berries are ripe in July and are relatively big: about 1 cm in diameter.

Amelanchier 'Ballerina' will thrive in a sunny area, somewhat sheltered from wind, in soil that is rich in nutrients, retains moisture and slightly acidic. Wet soil is not tolerated well. The small tree can be planted on streets and squares with a large drip line, but does sometimes cause problems on the pavement with its abundant fruit production.

SEASONAL COLOURS

jan feb mar apr mei jun jul aug sep okt nov dec

TYPES OF PLANTING

Tree types: standard trees, half-stem trees, multi-stemmed trees, fruit trees, solitary shrubs | **Topiary on stem**: multi-stem umbrella

USE

Location: avenue, park, central reservation, in containers, roof garden, large garden, small garden, patio, cemetery, countryside, ecological zone | **Pavement**: none, open | **Planting concepts**: food forest, Eco planting

CHARACTERISTICS

Crown shape: vase-shaped | **Crown structure**: semi-open | **Height**: 5 - 7 m | **Width**: 3 - 5 m | **Winter hardiness zone**: 5A - 8B

ASPECTS

Wind: slightly tolerant to wind | **Soil**: loess, sabulous clay, heavy clay, light clay, loamy soil | **Nutrient level**: moderately rich in nutrients, rich in nutrients | **Soil moisture level**: moist | **Light requirements**: sun | **pH range**: acidic, neutral (5.5 - 7.5) | **Host plant/forage plant**: bees, butterflies, birds, humans | **Extreme environments**: tolerant to salt spray

PLANTKENMERKEN

Flowers: raceme, star-shaped, striking, standing, singular, small | **Flower colour**: white | **Flowering period**: April - May | **Leaf colour**: buds bronze, dark green, underside grey-green | **Leaves**: deciduous, ovoid, serrate | **Autumn colour**: orange-red | **Fruits**: edible, small, frosty, aromatic, berry | **Fruit colour**: red-violet, blue-violet | **Bark colour**: grey-brown | **Bark**: smooth | **Twig colour**: brown | **Twigs**: bare, finely branched | **Root system**: shallow, extensive, slightly branched