

## Prunus avium



### SWEET CHERRY

Sweet cherry trees are large and rather upright growing producing showy white flowers in spring before the onset of fruit. Fruit is large and fleshy and borne on a long stem. Colour ranges from red through to yellow. Sweet Cherry trees are long-lived and larger growing so will need space in the garden to fully mature.

Fruit is great eaten fresh, stewed and preserved as jams and pickles. They take two to three years to reach fruiting capacity after planting and seven years to reach maturity.

Cherries are best grown where winter temperatures are not too severe and where summer temperatures are moderate. They require winter cold in order to blossom in spring. The trees bloom quite early in the spring, just after peaches and earlier than apples, and crops are susceptible to late frosts.

**Foliage** Deciduous

**Form** V-Shaped

**Mature Size** 11 x 7m

**Family** Rosaceae



Medium



Deciduous



V-Shaped



Fruiting & Edible

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