### Paulownia tomentosa

# (Princess-Tree, Empress-Tree, Paulownia)

Paulownia Tomentosa is a native Chinese plant which has a dramatic, coarse-textured appearence. With a rapid growth rate, heart-shaped leaves and large slusters of flowers in spring, Princess -tree can reach approximately 15m of height. What is best for this tree to grow is the availability of deep, moist but well-drained soil, and protection from wind. In autumn, fuzzy, brown flower buds form, and persist over the winter, and bloom again in early spring.



Plant Image

## **Landscape Information**

French Name: paulownia impérial

Pronounciation: pah-LOE-nee-uh toe-men-

TOE-suh

Plant Type: Tree

Origin: Central China

**Heat Zones:** 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

**Hardiness Zones:** 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

**Uses:** Street, Pollution Tolerant / Urban,

Reclamation

## Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

Tree Shape: Round, Vase
Canopy Symmetry: Irregular
Canopy Density: Medium
Canopy Texture: Coarse
Height at Maturity: 8 to 15 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 10 to 15 meters **Time to Ultimate Height:** 1 to 2 Years

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Flower Image

## **Botanical Description**

## **Foliage**

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Palmate

Leaf Persistance: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple
Leaf Blade: 10 - 20
Leaf Shape: Ovate
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Coarse
Leaf Scent: Pleasant

Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

#### **Flower**

Flower Showiness: True Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Umbel Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: Purple, White, Pink

Seasons: Spring

#### **Trunk**

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected

to breakage

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy, Fissured

### Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule
Fruit Showiness: True
Fruit Size Range: 3 - 7
Fruit Colors: Brown
Seasons: Spring

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Leaf Image

## **Horticulture Management**

#### Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes
Heat Tolerant: No
Drought Tolerant: Yes
Salt Tolerance: Poor

## Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part, Shade

## Management

Invasive Potential: No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes **Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a

strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: Yes

Surface Rooting: Yes Life Span: 25-50 years

Diseases: Powdery Mildew, Leaf Spots, Canker

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed

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Fruit Image



Bark Image



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