



Tree of Love

Its scientific name is *Cercis Siliquastrum*.



Legend says that it was the meeting point for lovers, the truth is that the main reason is the color of its flowering and the shape of the tree, forming a kind of heart, since in the center it usually has less development of stems.

Characteristic

The tree of love belongs to the Fabaceae family, which is made up of well-known species such as lentils, chickpeas or broad beans.

It grows in Mediterranean areas and due to its special resistance and rusticity to different climatic ranges, you will be able to grow it without major problems in your garden, unless you suffer from intense frosts typical of areas of northern Spain and Europe.

The tree of love loses its leaves in autumn, when temperatures drop. It is a medium-growing tree, between 5 and 15 meters tall. Its trunk twists over the years and is used to dry environments, being quite resistant to drought.

Flowering time: The tree of love emits an abundant bloom from buds located on its branches and thin trunks. It stands out for its pinkish or purple coloration, blooming between the months of April and May. It lasts approximately 1 month and is grouped in clusters of 3 to 6 flowers.

Characteristics of the leaves: large, light green, heart-shaped leaves with an approximate diameter of 10 cm. They appear alternately on the shoots and branches. They appear at the same time or even after flowering, around the month of April.

