

TREE SPECIES FACT SHEET

Chinese Pistachio (*Pistacia chinensis*)

This small, deciduous tree has a moderate growth rate and great autumn colour in shades of orange, yellow and red. Its bark is dark grey with shallow furrows and this variety is capable of withstanding relatively harsh conditions. Its feather-like leaves are green and leathery and inconspicuous clusters of small white flowers are borne in summer, followed by red drupes which mature to blue.

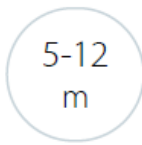
While this species is tolerant of most soil types, a well-drained soil in a sunny position is preferred. A fantastic feature tree in parks and gardens it also very adaptable as a street tree. They provide shade for shade-loving plants to grow underneath. Easily pruned for road and pedestrian clearances, they develop a strong single leader trunk with good overall structure. Moderately drought tolerant this tree has been successful as a residential street tree and has grown in urban areas with air pollution, poor drainage and compacted soil.

Canopy Shape



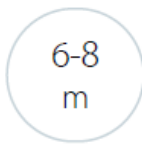
Spreading

Height



5-12
m

Spread



6-8
m

Position



Part Shade



Family

Anacardiaceae

Botanical Name

Pistacia chinensis

Common Name

Chinese pistachio

Origin

China

Habit

Upright, Rounded

Landscape

2nd line coast, Coastal
footslopes, Plains,
Footslopes, Hills

Soil Texture

Clay, Loam, Sand

pH

Acidic, Alkaline, Neutral

Tolerates

Drought, Lime, Moderate
frost

Supplementary Watering

Minimal

Flower Colour

Yellow, Green,
Insignificant

Flowering Time

Spring

Foliage

Green

Flower Type

Insignificant

Purpose

Ornamental

Evergreen/Deciduous

Deciduous

Seasonal Colour

Autumn

Trunk

Furrowed

Form

Small Tree (Up to 7m)

