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American smokewood

Cotinus obovatus Also known as: **Chittamwood, American smoketree**

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This description is for **American smokewood** (*Cotinus obovatus*):

American smokewood. A fully legal addition to your garden.

It's often said that where there's smoke, there's fire. Well this is true with *Cotinus obovatus* or American smokewood, a large shrub or small tree that produces fiery foliage in blazing shades of orange, red and purple during autumn. The common name stems from the pinkish-purple hairs that are visible in summer and which resemble puffy smoke. American smokewood will grow in most soils as long as they are moist and well-drained. It should be grown in partial shade or full sunlight and its gorgeous colours are guaranteed to heat up any garden design, whether it is setting borders alight or serving as a feature plant in an open space where it can display itself in all its bright glory.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? no	Acidity Acidic Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Trees & shrubs Trees
Height [m] 10	Hardiness zone Z4-8	Grown for Ornamental Foliage

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Spread [m] 8	Heat zone H8-1	Creative category For Beginners Show-offs
Dominant flower colour Silver	Winter temperatures [°C] -34 - -7	Garden type Cottage garden
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Heat days 0 - 120	Garden spaces Cut flowers Specimen Architectural Borders
Flowering seasons Early summer Mid summer Late summer Early autumn Mid autumn Late autumn	Moisture well-drained well-drained but frequently watered	Gardening expertise beginner
Foliage in spring Brown or bronze	Soil type sandy Clay chalky loams	Time to reach full size up to 20 years
Foliage in summer Brown or bronze	Sun requirements Full sun	
Foliage in Autumn Orange with red or yellow shades	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Propagation methods softwood cuttings seed layering		
Growth habit Bushy Tufted		