

合欢属 - **Albizia** (*Leguminosae*) (*Mimosaceae*)



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Origin: from Iran to Japan. Deciduous tree or large shrub with dome-shaped crown, very broad. Elegant leaves composed of leaflets similar to fern. Continuous flowers from July to September in panicles that have at least 10 short stalks which end in a round head made up of tiny pink stamens, yellow at the base. Fruit: green pods, 8-15cm long, pendulous, brown when mature which last a long time on the plant. Grows well even in poor soil. It requires warmth and light in order to flower. Recommended for all gardens, whatever their size, planted on its own or in groups. As well as its splendid flowers, it also provides excellent shade.

julibrissin "Ombrella"®

Selected in France from a seedbed of *A. julibrissin*. In comparison it has the following advantages:

- the stamens of the flowers are red and do not fade during the hottest hours of the day
- it flowers after just 2 years
- the leaves are of a brighter green
- however, it grows slower and the young trees need special attention in order for them to develop a straight trunk.



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julibrissin "Summer Chocolate"®

The precise final dimensions cannot yet be established, but should be similar to *Albizia julibrissin*, whom it resembles in crown and leaf structure. The innovative element lies in the colour of the leaves, which start off green, then change quickly to a reddish-purple that does not fade as the day gradually become hotter, as usually happens with most red-leaved plants. On the contrary, the red is at its brightest in full summer, offering a sharp contrast of colours throughout the summer months, between the green of new

leaves and the red of older ones. Flowers have the same shape and abundance as *A. julibrissin*, but are of a deeper pink, veering on red. Fruits identical. Growing requirements and use the same as *A. julibrissin*.