

# *Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine*

Frans Fontaine Hornbeam



*Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* 25-30cm Standard CG

Originating in Europe, the *Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* is a popular choice here in the UK. Its smooth bark and upright form keeps a uniformed look through maturity. As its branches grow upright, it does not get wider than 3.0m, making it a great choice for restricted areas.

The bright green leaves turn to golden yellow through the autumn creating seasonal interest. Often it has been known to hold onto its crispy brown leaves through the winter, only dropping them once there are fresh buds in the spring.

For optimal growth, the Frans Fontaine Hornbeam requires moist but well drained soil. However, it is tolerant to most soils, including Clay and Chalk.

Another great feature about this Hornbeam variety is its multitudes of forms. Here at Deepdale, we can supply this variety in standard form, feathered and as a screening tree.

## Plant Profile

**Name:** *Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine*

**Common Name:** Frans Fontaine Hornbeam

**Family:** Betulaceae

**Height:** 10.0-11.0m

**Width:** 3.0m

**Demands:** Full or partial sun. Exposed or sheltered

**Soil:** Moist, well-drained soil

**Foliage:** Ovoid green leaves, turning yellow in autumn.

**Flowers:** Green male catkins from April to May



*Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* 50-60cm standard CG





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*Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* is the narrowest of the *Carpinus betulus* cultivars and will not get wider than 3m. Even in maturity, its branches grow in a uniform, upright shape.



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*Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* 30-35cm Standard CG



*Carpinus betulus Frans Fontaine* 2.0-3.0m Feathered CG