



## How to Grow Cotinus

**Position** – Full sun or part shade

**Soil** – Well-drained

**Flowering Period** – Summer with fruit in autumn

**Hardiness** – Fully hardy

### About Cotinus

Cotinus are large deciduous shrubs or small trees with simple yet intriguingly attractive leaves that create fabulous autumnal colour. They are best suited in flower beds or borders within a cottage or informal garden setting. You should expect to see your Cotinus grow to an approximate height and spread of 8 metres (26').

### How to plant Cotinus

Plant Cotinus in well-drained soil of sand, chalk, clay or loam within an acidic, alkaline or neutral PH balance. Position in an area that receives full sun or part shade. Consider that Cotinus will grow to a considerably large size and therefore choose to site your plant where it will grow to maximum capacity without causing any issues to surrounding objects or buildings.

### How to care for Cotinus

Cotinus are relatively drought tolerant once fully established. It must be watered every morning for the first month after planting. Provide a generous layer of mulch to keep the soil moist and cool and to deter weeds. Fertilizer is not generally required. Provide a minimal prune in late winter or early spring just before your plant grows new foliage. Cut back to the ground during the winter and prune off old flower clusters from the previous year along with any dead or diseased branches.

### How to propagate Cotinus

It is possible to propagate Chitalpa during early summer from greenwood cuttings.