



Species: *Acer rubrum*

(ay'ser rue'brum)

Red Maple; Scarlet Maple; Swamp Maple

Cultivar Information

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 40' - 60'

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: Shape varies widely by variety. Generally upright with a rounded crown, however many columnar varieties exist.

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3b

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to neutral soil (pH 5.0 to 7.4)

Insect Disease

verticillium wilt can be a problem

Bare Root Transplanting

Easy

Other

Native to North America (Newfoundland to Minnesota, south to Florida and Texas). Best transplanted in spring. Often seen as a wet site tolerant tree, however upland genotypes exist. Wetland genotypes are more commonly selected from in the trade as they tend to be more vigorous. Upland genotypes are more drought tolerant but tend to be slow-growing.

Cultivars for *Acer rubrum*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Autumn Flame	'Autumn Flame' - early, persistent red fall color, zone 3b
Brandywine	'Brandywine' - red to red-purple fall color; foliage stays on tree for up to 14 days after fall color change
Northwood	'Northwood' - good orange-red fall color, zone 3b
October Glory	'October Glory' - excellent red fall color, zone 5a
Red Skin	'Red Skin' - large, thick foliage, early reddish maroon fall color, zone 4
Red Sunset	'Red Sunset' (a.k.a. Franksred)- excellent orange to red fall color, zone 4
Bowhall	'Bowhall' - orange fall color
Karpick	'Karpick' - dense, red twigs, yellow or red fall color
Armstrong	'Armstrong' - fast-growing; yellow, orange, red fall color
Armstrong Gold	'Armstrong Gold' - selected from seedlings of 'Armstrong', improves greatly on the parent; grows to 40' tall x 12' wide; narrow, tightly fastigiate form; brighter foliage color; greater foliage density and compact; less leggy growth habit
Redpointe	'Redpointe' (a.k.a. Frank Jr.) - grows to 45' high x 30' wide; broadly pyramidal form; brilliant red fall color; faster growth rate; straight and dominant central leader. Purportedly more tolerant of alkaline soils
Scarlet Sentinel	'Scarlet Sentinel' - grow to 40' tall x 20' wide; upright, narrow habit; oval to rectangular form; yellow-orange to orange-red fall color; very summer heat tolerant

Photos



Acer rubrum chlorotic foliage



Acer rubrum - Bark



Acer rubrum - Buds



Acer rubrum - Leaves, Fall Interest



Acer rubrum - Flowers



Acer rubrum - Leaves, Fall Interest



Acer rubrum - Leaf



Acer rubrum - Flowers



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Acer rubrum - Flowers, Seeds