



Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta

Acer saccharum 'Bailsta'

Height: 50 feet

Spread: 40 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Hard Maple, Rock Maple

Description:

A first class, reliable shade tree, featuring a fiery blend of fall colors ranging from yellow to orange and red; a large tree, best in larger landscapes; one of the hardiest selections, adaptable to soils

Ornamental Features

Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta has dark green deciduous foliage on a tree with a round habit of growth. The lobed leaves turn outstanding shades of yellow, orange and red in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta is a dense deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



*Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta in fall
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Planting & Growing

Maple, (Sugar) Fall Fiesta will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 40 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Special Attributes

Sugar Maples generally have few to some seeds in the Pacific Northwest Desert with proper watering through the growing season. If it seeds the samaras, commonly known as helicopters for their winged shape. The size of seeds are up to 2 inches long.



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