



## Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst

*Acer griseum 'JFS KW8AGRI'*

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 18 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

### Description:

An upright oval cultivar with superior branch structure, featuring quality dark green foliage that turns brilliant red in fall; visually outstanding reddish-brown exfoliating (peeling) bark; a highly valued accent tree for the fall and winter landscape

### Ornamental Features

Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst has dark green deciduous foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The compound leaves turn outstanding shades of orange and in the fall. The peeling coppery-bronze bark is extremely showy and adds significant winter interest.

### Landscape Attributes

Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

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, (Paperbark) Fireburst is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



*Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst*  
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*Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst bark*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Maple, (Paperbark) Fireburst will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 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 slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. 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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

### **Special Attributes**

Paperbark Maples seeds are called the samaras, commonly known as helicopters for their winged shape. The size of seeds are about 1 inch long.