Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies

Ginkgo biloba 'Jade Butterflies'



Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies
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Height: 15 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Maidenhair Tree

Description:

This is a dwarf ginkgo tree with distinctive, light green fan-shaped leaves; spreading vase shaped habit with rich golden hues in fall; deeply bi-lobed leaves resemble butterflies; 12 feet in 10 years, mature height is undetermined



Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies foliage
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Ornamental Features

Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies is primarily valued in the landscape for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has emerald green deciduous foliage. The fan-shaped leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Ginkgo, Jade Butterflies will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. 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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Clean up Rating (1-5) 1=least effort 5=most effort

Clean up Rating (1): Seedless (Male Selection), clean up by blowing or raking leaves onto the lawn and mow or bag.Ginkgo is a plant known for being extremely resistant to pests, deer, and diseases.