Zelkova Tree, City Sprite

Zelkova serrata 'JFS-KW1'



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Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 feet

Spread: 18 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Japanese Zelkova

Description:

A close relative of the elm; a compact, dense, semi-dwarf shade tree with a shapely, rounded habit, interesting peeling bark and good fall color; quite hardy, low maintenance and trouble-free, an excellent choice for smaller urban spaces

Ornamental Features

Zelkova Tree, City Sprite has forest green deciduous foliage on a tree with a round habit of growth. The serrated pointy leaves turn an outstanding yellow in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Zelkova Tree, City Sprite is a deciduous tree with a more or less rounded 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.

Zelkova Tree, City Sprite is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

Planting & Growing

Zelkova Tree, City Sprite will grow to be about 24 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 5 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 years or more.

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. 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.

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

Clean Up Rating (2): Zelkova produce small green insignificant flowers in spring, followed by small seeds held closely to the twigs and peeling bark. Clean up for the debris, can be blown or raked onto the lawn and mowed or bagged.