



Maple, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset
Acer 'JFS-KW249'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Cross Shantung x Norway Maple

Description:

A lovely tree with elegant foliage that stays fresh and glossy all season; stunning, deep ruby red fall color; a great tree for smaller home landscapes; very adaptable and cold hardy

Ornamental Features

Maple, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset is primarily valued in the landscape for its decidedly oval form. It has attractive dark green foliage with pointy light green spines. The glossy lobed palmate leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of orange and in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Maple, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval 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, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



Maple, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset foliage
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Planting & Growing

Maple, (Truncatum) Ruby Sunset will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and is suitable for planting under 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 for 60 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Special Attributes

The Truncatum Maple has a double samara with two winged seeds, the seeds are disc-shaped, slightly flattened, 1/2 to 3/4 inch across. The wings are 3/4 inch long, widely spread angle.