



Magnolia, Genie

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Height: 13 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

A stunning, compact magnolia; sweetly scented maroon-purple blooms with magenta-rose tips; a small tree or large shrub with an upright, pyramidal form; ideal for smaller gardens. Needs protection from strong winds.

Ornamental Features

Magnolia, Genie is covered in stunning fragrant burgundy cup-shaped flowers with rose edges held atop the branches from early spring to early summer, which emerge from distinctive dark red flower buds before the leaves. It has green deciduous foliage. The large pointy leaves turn coppery-bronze in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Magnolia, Genie is a deciduous tree with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. 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.

Magnolia, Genie is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use



Magnolia, Genie flowers
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Planting & Growing

Magnolia, Genie will grow to be about 13 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 5 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 50 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, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Special Attributes

Magnolias are not toxic plants. They are also Deer Resistant to being eaten, but some deer like to use them as a back scratchers.