



Japanese Maple, Shirazz
Acer palmatum 'Gwen's Rose Delight'

Height: 15 feet
Spread: 18 feet
Sunlight: ● ●
Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

The dazzling leaves of this hot new introduction emerge with pink, then turn green with cream and pink variegation during summer, color is always dynamic and vibrant on this exciting upright specimen tree

Ornamental Features

Japanese Maple, Shirazz is primarily valued in the landscape for its cascading habit of growth. It has attractive creamy white-variegated green foliage with hints of pink which emerges cherry red in spring. The small lobed palmate leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of orange and in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Japanese Maple, Shirazz is a dense deciduous tree with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should only be pruned in summer after the leaves have fully developed, as it may 'bleed' sap if pruned in late winter or early spring. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Japanese Maple, Shirazz is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening



Japanese Maple, Shirazz foliage
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Planting & Growing

Japanese Maple, Shirazz will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 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 60 years or more.

This tree does best in partial shade to 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 pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. 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.