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# Welcome to Essence of the Tree

## Dear Friends and Fellow Gardeners,

I am so blessed to work with these beautiful trees and the incredibly vibrant and passionate community of gardeners.

This has been a difficult year here at the nursery. Many of you have heard of the horrific fires in northern California in October. The evening of October 9th, 75 mph winds began gusting through Potter Valley felling trees, disrupting electricity and all communication in the valley. Starting in the north end of the valley, with high winds and dry hot conditions, the fire spread quickly with terrifying and awesome speed.

My son Ian and Corinne worked through the evening into the night to protect the trees and the property and saw the fires moving across the hills too close and too fast for comfort. It was difficult to determine the scale and distance of the fire and, by midnight and with only one road out, Ian determined we needed to evacuate. I protested weakly but, at this point, nothing without a heartbeat really mattered and he wouldn't hear any arguments. We packed up a few valuables, and all the people, cats and dogs into our vehicles, let the horses out into the pasture, and set off into the pitch black night, all silently praying that the fire had not already blocked our escape. Fortunately, it had not. With relatively little incident, we were able to get to the neighboring town of Ukiah and find hotel rooms for the night.

The next morning we returned. The fire was burning up the hills surrounding the valley, the nursery was a mess but did not burn . . . still no electricity or communication. As bombers flew over and with choking smoke, we set about the work of taking care of the trees. As Charles and Devyn up righted the trees and cleared the debris, I rewired the pump, repaired the broken irrigation, and set up the generators to water the trees until electricity was restored. The fires continued to burn, leading us to be evacuated by Calfire before finally extinguishing the fires. In total a week.

This is our story. We were very fortunate. There were numerous heroes during this event. My personal heroes were Ian, Corinne, Charles, Devyn and all of the friends and neighbors that kept the trees watered and the nursery safe through the fire.

Though we had parched leaves and some broken branches, when the smoke cleared and the trees moved into dormancy, I could see their plump buds and taut wood. Gathering scion wood was particularly joyous this year.

I'm reminded of all the blessings in my life and with love and gratitude we continue to grow and share these trees.

Enjoy Your Trees!

*Tina*

### SOMEBODY GAVE ME THIS BODY

Somebody gave me this body—what do I do with it now?  
It's a very remarkable body, and nobody's body but mine.  
I'm alive and I breathe, I'm strong and tall—  
won't somebody tell me who to thank for it all?  
I'm the gardener and the flower, too,  
And in this prison of a world I'm not alone.  
When I move, when I breathe, I leave my mark  
on the everlasting windowpane that keeps out the dark.  
It's the mark of myself! And that mark will remain  
on the cold transparency of that windowpane.  
Life beyond the glass may darken, day to day,  
but my mark on that windowpane will never go away.

Osip Mandelstam (1909)

*Translated from the Russian by Paul Schmidt*

*We know you will be thrilled when you receive your trees.*

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## **Symbols to help with selection:**

- H = Heat tolerant.** More heat tolerant. None of the maples are recommended for full sun in hotter climates.
- C = Cold tolerant.** Suitable for colder climates. Also later to emerge in spring reducing damage from late spring frosts.
- Sh = Shade tolerant.** Some maples, such as the highly variegated trees, benefit from more shade.
- B = Suitable for bonsai culture.** Shorter internodes, smaller leaves, less vigorous.
- P = Protect** from afternoon sun and extreme environmental stressors (e.g high wind, extreme heat)



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# New Introductions for 2018

The most unique, beautiful and unusual—  
the trees I had to have for my own collection.

## *Acer palmatum* 'Lady Abbess'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

Originally planted by Reverend Mother Benedict Duss O.S.B., Foundress and first Abbess of Regina Laudis. This tree lovely is named *Acer palmatum* 'Lady Abbess' because Mother Benedict was called Lady Abbess within her own Benedictine Community. My mother was contacted by the Abbess for information about Japanese Maples and they quickly established a fruitful exchange. After my mother's death in 2006 I was contacted by Sister Esther with concern for the maple, a transplant was necessary due to construction. We collected scion wood to insure the trees posterity for future generations. The story of Mother Benedict and the Abbey is beautiful and inspiring and so too is the tree with its bright pink first emergence, extremely fine foliage and wide floating form. Very slow and consistent growth creates a beautiful layered structure. Brilliant red and orange fall color. **Sh**

Size 2 \$90 Size 4 \$160



Lady Abbess



Lady Abbess  
fall color

# Exceptional New Introductions and Rare Finds

## *Acer pictum* 'Usugumo'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

A rare and elegant tree with a consistent dusting of white variegation over the green 'batwing' leaves. The variegation is often more distinct at the vein of the leaf. Very slow growing though not difficult. Good cold tolerance. A must for collectors. **C**

Size 1 \$60



## *Acer palmatum* 'Usu midori'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

Most exciting tree I've seen in some time. Amoenum leaves emerge in spring hot pink quickly changing to pastel pink then rich creamy yellow and white through the summer. This tree is not variegated, the color saturates the entire leaf. A petite little upright tree, slow growing, perfect for container or bonsai.

Protect from hot sun. **Sh**

Size 2 \$90



## *Acer palmatum* 'Shin hikasa'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

This charming little tree is full of constantly changing color. Small leaves with sharply pointed lobes are variegated along the vein of the leaf. Emerging pastel to hot pink and white in spring out of bright red leaf sheath, changing to green and white in summer and yellow gold in the fall. The internodes are stacked on top of one another creating a dense pillow of color. Very slow though not delicate the variegation will require protection from hot afternoon sun. **Sh**

Size 3 \$130

## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni sazanami'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9

Named 'Red Ruffles' the heavily serrated lobes of these small leaves certainly have the feel of a flashy red ruffled dress. Bright red first emergence is followed by softer red with a pronounced green vein in summer and brilliant red fall. A lovely small upright tree an excellent selection for bonsai or container.

Good heat tolerance. **H**

Size 2 \$90



# Exceptional New Introductions



## *Acer palmatum* 'Green Tea'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 8  
Zones: 5 to 9

Red first emergence in spring, changing to an olive blue-green similar to green tea. I love this trees enthusiasm, vigorously growing with abundant lower branching the internodes are far apart creating a large open impression. Brilliant red and orange fall color is stunning. Fat lobed amoenum leaves are quite durable in the heat. **C**

Size 3 \$130



## *Acer palmatum* 'Sawa chidori'

Landscape Height: 10 Container Height: 6 Zone 5-9

A lovely variegated tree, ranging from bright to pastel pink and white in spring with contrasting green veins and bright pink petioles. Changing to yellow and green in the summer with bright red in the fall. Leaves are deeply divided with sharply pointed lobes that twist as the season progresses. Wide spreading open form, best with protection from afternoon sun. **Sh**

Size 2 \$90



## *Acer palmatum* 'Radiant'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9

A stunning beauty, leaves and twigs emerge bright coral pink transitioning to soft pastel pink and then the variegation begins to show. A splash of pink and white consistently cover each leaf with pale green suffused from the vein. As the tree matures the bark has pale yellow tones. I expect this tree to be upright in form and stay somewhat small because of the extreme variegation. Somewhat tender, this tree will need more protection from environmental extremes. **Sh**

Size 4 \$160

# Exceptional New Introductions

## *Acer palmatum* 'Hiryu'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

Meaning 'Flying Dragon' in Japanese this tree is unusual in a spooky kind of way. Small leaves with narrow twisted lobes have green on green variegation at the edge. Yellow and orange fall color. Small with an upright form and strong consistent growth make this tree an excellent tree for container or bonsai. **H**

Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Gaki no suki'

Landscape Height: 8 Container Height: 6 zone 6-9

Sweet little palmate leaves emerge variegated pink and white in spring slowly changing to green for summer and a blaze of red in the fall. Somewhat vigorously growing, continuing to push the bright pink leaves through out the growing season. A small upright tree, seems to have good heat tolerance. An excellent new spring color maple. **H**

Size 3 \$130



## *Acer palmatum* 'Miwa'

Landscape Height: 8 Container Height: 4 zone 6-9

Meaning 'Graceful Beauty' in Japanese, this little tree is indeed a soft subtle elegant beauty. The intricate pale green variegation in spring follows the vein of the leaf emphasizing the long slender lobes. Green through the summer with orange- yellow fall color. The movement of this tree is exceptional. Wide spreading growth habit. Slow growing though not difficult. Needs protection from hot sun. Lovely for landscape or container. **Sh**

Size 3 \$130

## *Acer palmatum* 'Peve Starfish'

Landscape Height: 8 Container Height: 6 zone 6-9

What a fantastic little tree! Such a character with all that curl and texture. The lobes of each leaf curl inward to form a sharply pointed star creating incredible texture. The spring is bright red changing to deep purple summer, almost black and scarlet red in the fall. A slow growing tree with upright form excellent in a container for year round interest. Needs protection from afternoon sun. **B Sh**  
Size 1 \$60



# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color

## Spring Color

Known as the Flower Maples by the Japanese, this group of maples will rival any flower in the garden for spring color. These trees are an excellent choice in warmer climates where fall color can be inconsistent.



Phoenix

### *Acer palmatum* 'Phoenix'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Flaming red emergence in the spring slowly changes to green with new growth pushing red tips all summer long. Fall brings another explosion of pure vibrant red. This tree is a vigorous grower with upright spreading form. Good heat tolerance. **H**  
Size 4 \$160





# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color

## *Acer palmatum* 'Hino tori nishiki'

Landscape Ht: 8, Container Ht: 4, Zones: 5 to 9  
A beautiful new spring color type first emergence is pink with variegation quickly changing to red and slowly changing to green for summer with a range of red, yellow and orange for the fall. From Dick van der Maat in the Netherlands, 'Hino Tori' means 'Fire Bird'. **H**  
Size 4 \$160



Hino tori nishiki

## *Acer palmatum* 'Abigail Rose'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9  
A startling little pink tree, in spring Abigail Rose draws attention from everyone who sees her! A dwarf of Higase yama, leaves are variegated pink, green and white in spring on this tiny little tree. Forming a dense bush of perhaps 5' at maturity, needs protection from intense sun and good air movement should be provided in areas with hot, humid summers. Excellent for bonsai with small leaves and short internodes. I adore this tree! **B Sh**  
Size 2 \$90.00



Abigail Rose



Bonfire

## *Acer palmatum* 'Corallinum'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9  
Known for the coral pink spring emergence, I love this delicate little tree for it's overall diminutive appearance. Small leaves, delicate branches and open form provide a perfect tree for bonsai and containers. **B**  
Size 1 \$60



Corallinum

## *Acer palmatum* 'Bonfire'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
A very old cultivar highly sought by bonsai artists. Excellent red spring color changes to green for summer and scarlet in the fall. Very small palmate leaves, an upright growth habit with twiggy branching and short internodes make this tree an ideal choice for bonsai, containers or the focal point in a small garden space. **H B**  
Size 4 \$150

# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color



Orange Dream

## *Acer palmatum* 'Orange Dream'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

A creamy sherbet orange in the spring lasting for several weeks, by far one of the best new trees and the best orange spring color. Orange Dream emerges later in the spring than Katsura, the standard for orange spring color, making it more suitable for colder climates. A small upright tree, adding beauty to any garden, suited to all applications. **C Sh**  
Size 3 \$120 Size 4 \$150



Tsuma gaki

## *Acer palmatum* 'Summer Gold'

Landscape Ht: 12, Container Ht: 8, Zones: 6 to 9

The best golden color through the summer with no burn in full sun! As the summer gets hotter the golden yellow color becomes brighter. Planted at poolside in the hottest part of his garden in Southwestern France, Gomero has had no burn through the summer. An upright form with a palmate leaf and a medium growth rate. An excellent new introduction. **H**

Size 3 \$120

## *Acer palmatum* 'Tsuma gaki'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

Red-tipped pale green leaves emerge in spring slowly changing to a medium green in the summer then red in the fall. Very similar to Tsuma Beni though a slightly sturdier leaf makes this tree easier to grow. Upright, low and wide open form. **C Sh**

Size 1 \$50

Size 3 \$120



Summer Gold



Shidava Gold

## *Acer palmatum* 'Shidava Gold'

Landscape Ht: 6, Container Ht: 4, Zones: 6 to 9

All of the best features of 'Ukon' in a delightful small tree. Pale celery green leaves in spring change to light green through summer and clear yellow for fall. The bright pea green bark is wonderful in contrast with 'Beni Kawa' for the winter bark interest. The structure is upright and open form with excellent proportion. **B**

Size 4 \$150



Shidava Gold

# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color



Johnnie's Pink

## *Acer palmatum* 'Johnnie's Pink'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9  
Harold Johnson from Alabama named this tree after his wife, Johnnie. I love this tree. One of the spring color types with soft pink spring emergence. Slowly leaf changes to an orange/brown color, unique in the maples. The leaves are small palmate, branching is fine, somewhat dense. Though vigorous in youth this tree is quite small in maturity. **H**  
Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Amagi shigure'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
New from Japan. Spring is a startling hot pink, changing to deep magenta for the summer slowly developing a defined variegation at the vein. Holds color all through the summer changing to orange and red in the fall. Slow growing wide spreading form. Needs protection in hotter climates. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$160.00

## *Acer palmatum* 'Wilson's Pink Dwarf'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
Tiny little leaves, about the size of your little fingernail, emerge bright pink. The leaves mature to about 1.5" wide and slowly transition to a medium green for summer. Upright form with fine stems and short internodes, perfect proportion, excellent for bonsai, container or the landscape. Easy to grow sun and heat tolerant. Early to emerge in spring, protect from late frosts. **B H**  
Size 4 \$150



Wilson's Pink Dwarf



Amagi shigure

# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color

## *Acer palmatum* 'Shin deshojo'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
The best of the red spring color types, 'Shin deshojo' emerges bright cherry red early in spring for a brilliant display of color. Leaves develop a brick red edge and slowly turn to a light green. New growth continues to push through June creating layers of color. My mother chose this tree as the centerpiece of her garden and mine is outside my kitchen window. Small leaves, fine branching, wonderful form, as wide as tall. Excellent heat tolerance. Will grow in full sun, needs protection from late frosts. **H**  
Size 4 \$150



Shin deshojo



Autumn Moon

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Autumn Moon'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9  
The lobes on the leaf of Autumn Moon are slightly longer than Aureum and the spring color is yellow slowly changing to pale green for summer and orange-red for fall. A lovely open form with plenty of space between internodes to show off individual branches and leaves. **C**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Ueno homare'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
Outstanding orange yellow color in early spring on a compact upright tree. Summer is light yellow green changing to bright red orange for fall. An excellent alternative to 'Katsura' when a smaller more compact tree is needed. Heat and sun tolerant, needs protection from late spring frosts. A delightful tree to grow, lights up in the garden or on the deck. **H**  
Size 4 \$150.00

## *Acer circinatum* 'Sunglow'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 5 to 9  
A cultivar from the species native to Northern California and southern Oregon, A.c. Sunglow is luminous orange in spring changing to pale green in summer and yellow with orange in the fall. Small upright growth habit. Like the species, needs shade. **C**  
Size 4 \$160



Sunglow



Ueno homare

# Japanese Maples for Brilliant Spring Color

## *Acer palmatum* 'Otome zakura'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

One of the spring color types known as the flowering maples, this tree is a brilliant scarlet red in the spring slowly changing to a brick red and then medium green for summer. Fall is red with orange and yellow. Small leaves and a lovely fine branching structure with wide, open upright form make this tree an excellent choice for either container or bonsai. Needs protection from late frosts. **H**  
Size 4 \$150



Otome zakura



Mizuho beni

## *Acer palmatum* 'Mizuho beni'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

A favorite tree of my mother's and mine as well. Sharply pointed leaves emerge orange with a red edge on layered branches with the leaves laid out lax from the petiole. Changing to a soft green for summer and orange in the fall. Beautiful open habit on a perfect small tree. Everything is in perfect proportion on this tree for a bonsai or container tree. **H**  
Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Katsura'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 6 to 9

A wonderful orange spring color, one of the first to emerge in spring. Pale yellow green through summer and orange with yellow in the fall. Vigorous and easy to grow, excellent heat tolerance, though protection is needed for late spring frost. **H**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Akane'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

A delightful new tree with pale orange emergence in spring with hot pink stems and a trace of pink on the edge of the leaf. Clear true yellow though out the summer even in the shade. Fall color is a soft orange. A perfect open small tree form, not at all dense or bushy. An excellent tree for a container or small garden. **H**  
Size 2 \$90

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Akane

# Japanese Maples for Rich Red Summer Color

## Summer Color

Shades of red throughout the seasons, from bright cherry red in spring to deep chocolate red summer and scarlet in the fall, these trees bring dramatic impact to the garden year round.



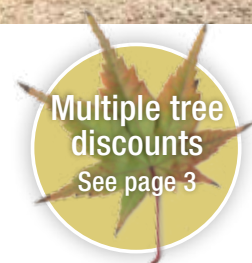
Moonfire

### *Acer palmatum* 'Moonfire'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

Very dark red, almost black in summer with an opalescence on the leaves. The bark is also black with branches curving and twisting upward creating a beautiful somewhat haunting structure. **H**

Size 3 \$120 Size 4 \$150



# Japanese Maples for Rich Red Summer Color

## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni hoshi' / 'Ruby Stars'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Also known as 'Ruby Stars', spring emergence is ruby red on this small upright tree changing to a deep red in summer. As summer progresses the vein on the small star shaped leaves slowly suffuses with green creating texture and depth. Open habit and somewhat angular structure and green bark. Slow growing, though not difficult, a wonderful tree for a small garden or container. **C**

Size 3 \$120 Size 4 \$150



## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Gloria'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

Wonderful deeply divided leaves with heavily serrated lobes create a soft ruffled impression. Excellent bright red spring color. Changes to deep red summer and flaming red again in the fall. Similar to A.s. Yasemin though much slower growing and smaller in form. Excellent red tree for colder climates. **C**

Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Fireglow'

Landscape Ht: 10, Container Ht: 6.

Zones: 5 to 9

When the sun comes through the leaves of this tree the effect is a breathtaking luminous red. The best small red tree. Very sun and heat tolerant. Developed in Alabama by Harold Johnson, grows in full sun in the hot, humid south. **H**

Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Tsukushi gata'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Tsukushi gata is in a redwood box on my deck and I daily appreciate the lovely open form with fine pale green branches. Spring is a stunning red changing to the rich-red brown summer color, we refer to this tree as one of the chocolate trees because the color is so lush. As summer progresses the vein in the leaf changes to green for a contrast to the brown, then bright red fall. Slow growing, best with some shade, a personal favorite of mine. **H**

Size 4 \$150



# Japanese Maples for Rich Red Summer Color



**Johin**

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Johin'

Landscape Ht: 6, Container Ht: 4, Zones: 5 to 9

A deeply divided leaf with nine long, pointed lobes curling slightly under similar to Trompenberg. Deep red with a pronounced green vein in spring changing to rich brick red through summer with red seeds appearing above the leaf and orange and red fall. Short internodes allow each leaf to lay on top of another creating a beautiful flowing effect. The name means 'Elegant'.

Slow growing, needs protection from afternoon sun, excellent for colder climates. **C**

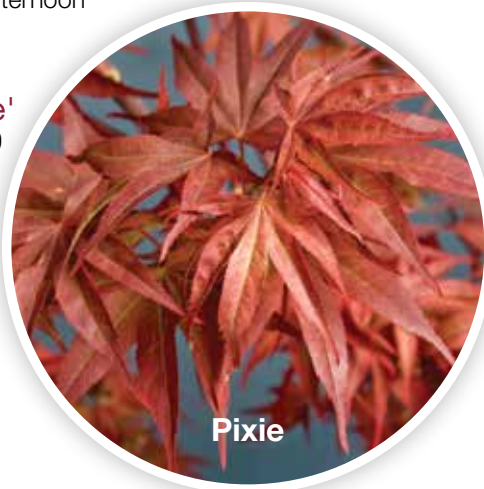
Size 2 \$90

## *Acer palmatum* 'Pixie'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3, Zones: 5 to 9

Pixie is a dwarf red cultivar similar to 'Skeeter's Broom'. A possible sport from 'Bloodgood' but with shorter growth and more deeply cut lobes. New leaves emerge bright pink-red becoming deep red in the summer then fiery scarlet in the fall. **H**

Size 4 \$150



**Pixie**



**Samurai Sword**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Samurai Sword'

Landscape Ht: 18 Container Ht: 10 Zones: 5 to 9

A big bold upright red tree. Vigorously growing to 18' in 10 years. From the matsumaurae group with deeply divided leaves. Red spring dark red summer and bright red summer. Shows excellent heat tolerance. **H**

Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'O kagami'

Landscape Ht: 18 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9

Big dark red leaf emerges in spring changes to almost black purple in summer and scarlet in the fall. The name means 'Large Mirror' referring to the reflective qualities of the large dark leaf. Vigorously growing in youth. Excellent cold tolerance. A bold statement in the garden. **C**

Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Rhode Island Red'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

A strong growing, intensely red dwarf tree, this tree fulfills the need of many gardens. Stout growth habit, bright red spring, dark red summer and bright red again in the fall. Developed in Rhode Island. Good cold tolerance. **C**

Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160



**Rhode Island Red**



**O kagami**



# Japanese Maples for Rich Red Summer Color



## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Yasemin'

Landscape Ht: 10, Container Ht: 8, Zones: 5 to 9  
Bright red deeply divided leaves emerge in spring changing to deep red in summer with an abundance of translucent red seeds that are held above the leaf, typical of acer shirasawanum, then scarlet in the fall. The structure is a smooth curving upward growth. A somewhat fast growing tree an excellent choice for colder climates. **C**  
Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Emperor One'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 9 Zones: 5 to 9  
The very best of the summer red maples, replaces Bloodgood. Emperor One will quickly grow to 15' with a wide open canopy. Large palmate leaves hold their true red color longer than other red maples. Excellent heat tolerance. **H**  
Size 4 \$150

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## *Acer palmatum* 'Shaina'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6-9  
A fire ball of red in the spring, deeper red in the summer and brilliant red again in the fall. Because the structure is so dense, the impact of this tree is substantial. The best dwarf red maple for the landscape. **H**  
Size 4 \$150

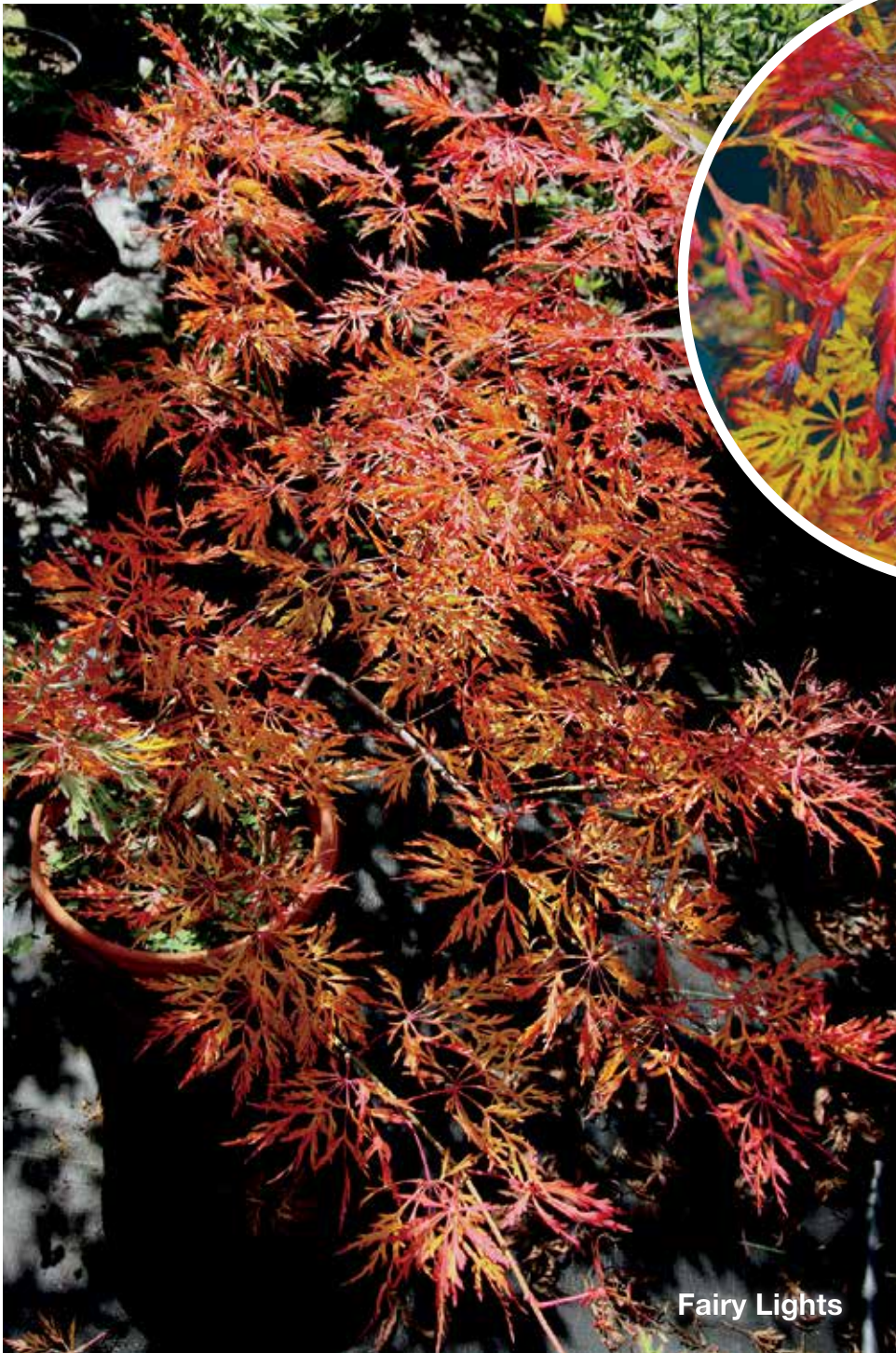
## *Acer palmatum* 'Sumi nagashi'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
Peter Gregory calls this tree the best large leaved red cultivar in the deeply divided group and I agree. Bright red spring changes to deep red in summer, transitions through green to outstanding red fall color. Green bark and profuse red seeds that light up in the sun. More upright, less spreading than most in this group with a sturdy open structure. Vigorous in youth, best protected from intense sun. Excellent in the garden or in a container with pruning. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150



# *Fall Color and Winter Bark Interest*

Perhaps the feature they are best known for, Japanese Maples provide an incredibly diverse palette of brilliant, long lasting color in the fall. As we move to the depth of winter we see the bones of the garden in the winter landscape. I find the winter silhouette of these trees elegant and their color, a welcome surprise during the grey days of winter.



*Acer japonicum*  
**'Fairy Lights'**

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 3  
Zones: 5 to 9

All of the glorious fall color of the *Acer Japonicum* group in a delightful compact form. With long, finely dissected lobes, the leaves appear crystalline. Wonderful low, wide form, excellent for containers as well as the landscape. **C**

Size 2 \$80

Size 4 \$150



# Dramatic Fall Color and Winter Bark Interest



## *Acer palmatum* 'Korean Gem'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 10 Zones: 5 to 9

The winter silhouette of Korean Gem is stunning with the dark red, almost black bark against the snow. An outstanding tree for red fall color, the large Amoenum leaves are light green in summer with bright red seeds through June. Upright, large and vigorously growing. **C** Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Ukon'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

The pea green bark is beautiful in combination with orange-red bark of Beni Kawa. Ukon is similar to Aoyagi except slower growing and smaller overall, with pale green leaves in spring changing to light green for summer and clear yellow in the fall. Easy to grow, good heat tolerance. **H**

Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Osakazuki'

Landscape Ht: 18 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

The very best red fall color of all the Japanese Maples. Part of a classic Japanese planting, Osakazuki is the tall red fall color where Ichigyogi is the medium yellow and Hogyoku the small orange. Though similar in color through the summer the fall is quite a surprise. Osakazuki is a big, fast growing tree, a great asset to a larger landscape. **C**

Size 4 \$150



## *Acer japonicum* 'Maiku jaku'

Landscape Ht: 12, Container Ht: 8, Zones: 5 to 9

Named "Dancing Peacock", the large, dissected leaves have wonderful movement in the wind. The wide, upright form and show stopping orange and red fall color make this tree an excellent choice for either a larger container or a focal point in the garden. Also known as Aconitifolium. **C**

Size 3 \$120



# Dramatic Fall Color and Winter Bark Interest



Emmit's Pumpkin

## *Acer japonicum* 'Emmitt's Pumpkin'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

With big bold leaves with long serrated lobes this tree grows more slowly and is smaller overall than many of the *Acer japonicum*. Growth habit is wide as it is tall. Soft salmon on spring emergence green through the summer and bright orange fall color. Excellent selection for colder climates. **C**

Size 4 \$160



Utsu semi

## *Acer palmatum* 'Utsu semi'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

Big sturdy Amoenum leaves emerge pink in the spring go to green summer, fall ranges from crimson to purple. The name meaning "grasshopper skin" refers to the shiny bright green leaves. A stocky tree reaching approx 12' An excellent tree for colder climates to provide year round interest. **C**

Size 4 \$160

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Saoshika

## *Acer palmatum* 'Saoshika'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 5 to 9

A graceful tree with wide layered structure typical of what we think of for Japanese gardens. A large amoenum leaf with stunning fall color. **C**

Size 4 \$160



Hogyoku

## *Acer palmatum* 'Hogyoku'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

An older cultivar most known for the pumpkin orange fall color. An upright somewhat stocky structure, slower growing and smaller than most of the trees in the amoenum group. A stunning display of fall color when planted with the brilliant red 'Osakazuki'. Easy to grow and beautiful year round, a classic for every garden. **C**

Size 1 \$50

## *Acer circinatum* 'Pacific Fire'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

The intense shiny orange-red bark of this northwestern native is glorious against the snow or the gray winter sky. Lime green orbicular leaves unfold like fans. Emerges later in spring than the *Acer palmatum*, making this an excellent red bark winter interest for colder areas. Delightful to grow, none of the die back issues common to other red bark maples. Upright form with open habit that contrasts the leaves to the bark. **C**

Size 4 \$150

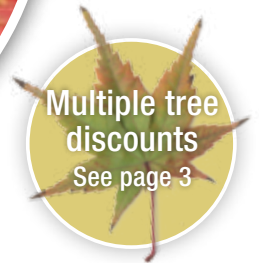


Pacific Fire

# Dramatic Fall Color and Winter Bark Interest

## *Acer palmatum* 'Winter Flame'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9  
Possibly a witches broom from Sango Kaku, this is as intense a red bark as you will find and in a delightful dwarf. Spring is celery green changing to a pale green for summer and clear yellow in fall. With short internodes and upright form, very slow growing and somewhat difficult, I recommend growing in a container so protection can be given as needed. **H**  
Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Ever Autumn'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 7 Zones: 6 to 9  
The large leaves and strong branching of this tree create a commanding presence. Spring emergence is a delightful salmon pink changing to a medium green with orange tones for summer. As the name implies, fall color is an early display of intense color lasting for weeks. A vigorous, easy tree to grow. **C**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer japonicum* 'Oregon Fern'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9  
Usually a solid ruby red fall color with a lovely undulating, vine like form this tree is exceptional for containers when staked. All curving lines in the structure and the long lobed, finely dissected leaves provide intimate interest year round. Fall color is consistent, even in warmer climates. An introduction by J.D. Vertrees. **C**  
Size 4 \$150.00

## *Acer japonicum* 'Vitifolium'

Landscape Ht: 18, Container Ht: 12, Zones: 5 to 9  
A large, vigorous tree with extraordinary fall color. The leaves are as big as your hand. Fall color of orange, yellow and red comes early and fast creating a fire in the sky. You can see this tree for miles in fall color. Fall color is consistent even in warmer climates. **C**  
Size 4 \$150



# Dramatic Fall Color and Winter Bark Interest

## *Acer palmatum* 'Sango kaku'

Landscape Ht: 18, Container Ht: 8, Zones: 6 to 9  
Known as the coral bark maple, the red bark is a wonderful silhouette against the snow or a grey winter landscape. Spring leaves emerge pale green, a great contrast to the bark. Fall is a clear yellow. Very fast growing and upright, this tree is disposed to disease from spring frost damage and is best grown in warmer climates. For bright red bark and green leaves in colder climates consider *Acer circinatum* 'Pacific Fire'. **H**  
Size 4 \$150



Sango kaku

## *Acer palmatum* 'Japanese Sunrise'

Landscape Ht: 12, Container Ht: 6, Zones: 6 to 9  
The transitions of color in the bark of this tree as the winter progresses are like nothing I've seen on any other tree. As soon as the temperatures begin to drop the bark begins to change color to yellow at the trunk, the colder it gets the further up through the branching the color moves from pale yellow through orange to intense red at the tips. **H**  
Size 3 \$120



Japanese Sunrise



Bihou

## *Acer palmatum* 'Bihou'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
I first saw this tree in the southeast in October. The yellow bark with an overcast of orange is beautiful, like no other maple I've ever seen. The buds emerge red unfolding a green leaf, changing to yellow with specks of orange for fall. A vigorous, upright growing tree with good sun tolerance. Beautiful in combination with any of the red bark maples to create a stunning winter interest in the garden. **P**  
Size 4 \$150



Kawahara no midori

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Kawahara no midori'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
The palest of green, almost white on emergence, with beautiful green bark. Chartreuse green though the summer and clear yellow in the fall. Similar to the Ukon but smaller and paler green. Easy to grow. Protect from afternoon sun.  
Size 4 \$160

# Ghost Series

Perhaps the most diverse gene pool in the plant kingdom, *Acer palmatum* is a propagators dream. Talon Buchholz cast seed one year and discovered a group of trees with exceptionally beautiful and unusual colors and variegation. The effect of the pale green and white variegation and the heavily serrated ruffled edge in the mist of the morning was ghostly...and so the series was born.



Sister Ghost

### *Acer palmatum* 'Sister Ghost'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
White deeply divided leaves with a distinct pale green vein. Heavily serrated and ruffled with a rosy pink tip at emergence. Immediately draws the eye. Graceful wide, cascading form. Perhaps the strongest in the Ghost series. Needs protection from afternoon sun. Excellent for either container or a focal point. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$160



Amber Ghost

### *Acer palmatum* 'Baby Ghost'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 5-9  
Large palmate leaves are a delightful soft pink and green on first emergence transitioning to a deeper pink and green in summer and wonderful orange-red in the fall. Another of the incredible ghost series from Buchholz Nursery. Upright form, as wide as tall in maturity. Slow but consistent growth, needs protection from afternoon sun. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150

### *Acer palmatum* 'Purple Ghost'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9  
This the most familiar introduction from the Buchholz Ghost series. Gardeners everywhere have found the intense color and vigorous growth an asset in the garden. An iridescent reddish purple in the spring moving to purple for summer and bright red for the fall always an eye catching bright tree. The details on the leaves are worth noting, both the ruffled edge and the pronounced contrast of the black vein. Easy to grow, upright with a wide spreading habit this tree will not tolerate heavy soil or intense sun. **H**

Size 4 \$150



Purple Ghost



Multiple tree discounts  
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### *Acer palmatum* 'Amber Ghost'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
Amber Ghost offers completely unique color in the maples, my favorite in the Ghost Series. Spring is first bright pink changing to a melon, pink-orange color. Summer is a warm soft amber with a distinct green vein. Fall brings bright red and orange. A wide, upright tree. Slow growing though not difficult, needs protection from afternoon sun. Excellent for either container or landscape. A series of stunning colors to bring into the garden. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$160



Baby Ghost

Wide Spreading with Deeply Divided Leaves

# Wide Spreading

Maples with all of the movement of a willow and beautiful color and proportion for the small garden. Upright in habit but equally wide with pendulous branches that move with the wind.



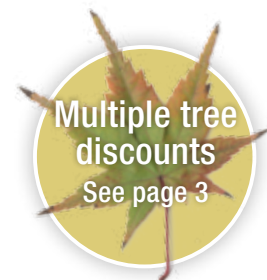
Azuma murasaki

## *Acer palmatum* 'Azuma murasaki'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 6 to 9

A member of the Matsumurae group. This cultivar's deeply divided, seven lobed, serrated leaves are purplish-red with an undertone of green. New foliage is yellow-orange with fine pubescent covering until maturity. Leaf stalks and seeds are bright red. This tree reaches 20ft. tall and 16ft. wide in the right growing conditions. The name means "purple of the East." **H**

Size 4 \$160





# Wide Spreading with Deeply Divided Leaves



## *Acer palmatum* 'Tiger Rose'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
Sharply toothed deeply divided leaves emerge soft rosy pink in spring. The pronounced veins and the edge of the leaf become pale green against a white background. Two tone gold and yellow fall color. Wide spreading form with cascading branches, easy to grow, somewhat vigorous, will need protection from afternoon sun. Beautiful in either container or the landscape. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Fascination'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 7 Zones: 6 to 9  
A relatively new tree with deeply divided leaves light, bright green spring color remaining a light green through the summer with warm orange-gold fall color. Somewhat pendulous in habit similar to Omure yama, though primarily wide spreading. Lovely movement. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Mirte'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9  
Warm orange/red spring leaf, unique color to the maples. Changing to a soft brown then a shiny green for summer and golden orange in the fall. Big vigorously growing, excellent cold tolerance. A wonderful series of unique colors to add to the garden. **C**  
Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Nicholsonii'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
Big deeply divided leaves emerge pale yellow and green in spring with pink tips. Changing to a blue green in the summer with profuse bright red seeds on graceful reaching branches. Fall is a startling fiery red. Wide reaching cascading form creates beautiful movement with the least amount of wind. Easy tree to grow. Good cold and heat tolerance. **C**  
Size 2 \$90



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# Wide Spreading with Deeply Divided Leaves

## *Acer palmatum* 'Shigure bato'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9  
Feathery green laceleaf with wide open horizontal layering form, not weeping. Pale green spring color, with a red blush in full sun. Grows at least as wide as tall. Slow growing though not at all difficult. Wonderful for a container garden. Leaves and internodes are small enough for bonsai. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150



Shigure bato



Elmwood

## *Acer palmatum* 'Elmwood'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
Subtle pink, white and green variegation in spring becomes two tone green in the summer with gold and orange in the fall. Large deeply divided leaves hang from pendulous branches with movement in the wind. Easy to grow, somewhat vigorous. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Iijima sunago'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
One of the trees in the group I call the chocolate trees. Large leaves emerge rosy mauve in spring changing to a milk chocolate tone with speckled variegation and a green vein for summer. Fall is outstanding two toned orange red. Slow growing, getting quite large in great age. Upright form. Protect from hot sun. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$150



Iijima sunago

## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni gasa'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6  
Zones: 5 to 9  
Love this tree! Deeply divided leaves with fat serrated lobes. Reaching and spreading wide with a lift at the tip of the lobes creating lots of movement from the least breeze. Excellent bright red spring changing to a deeper red in summer and bright red again in the fall. Name means 'Red Umbrella' Protect from afternoon sun in hotter climates. **C**  
Size 4 \$150



Beni gasa



# Wide Spreading with Deeply Divided Leaves



Inazuma

## *Acer palmatum* 'Inazuma'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Name meaning 'The Thunder', I am sure refers to the brilliant red fall color. This is an older classic cultivar. Large deeply divided leaves emerge bright red quickly moving to a purple red with defined green veins in summer. Vigorously growing with wide spreading form and lots of movement. Easy to grow with good heat tolerance. **H**

Size 4 \$160



Koyuki

## *Acer palmatum* 'Koyuki'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Truly suited to the name meaning 'Little Snowflake' Small heavily serrated leaves emerge pale green with subtle white variegation. Leaves change to a medium green in summer with defined veins. Beautiful orange and yellow in the fall. Somewhat slow grower needs protection from afternoon sun. **Sh**

Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160



Sensu

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Sensu'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9

Long distinctly separate lobes emerge salmon pink in spring and slowly change to a pale green with an orange blush and tip. Crimson seeds appear above the leaf in summer. Fall brings deep orange. 'Sensu' means moving fan describing the graceful movement of the pendulous branches in the wind. Needs protection from hot afternoon sun. An excellent alternative to 'Omure yama' in colder climates. **C**

Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Oshu shidare'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

The long lobed, deeply divided leaves are cherry red in the spring, a perfect contrast to the pea green bark. Summer changes slowly from red to green and back to red in the fall. The habit is wide spreading with pendulous branches providing movement in the least of wind. Though slow, an easy tree to grow and a striking beauty. **Sh**

Size 4 \$150



Oshu shidare

# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples

## Weeping & Cascading Laceleaf

The dissectum 'lace' leaf maple is wonderful for soft textural interest. Its curving form creates a beautiful structure. Every garden needs at least one.



Hana Matoi

### **Acer palmatum Hana matoi**

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

Exciting new variegated dissectum, hot pink and pale pink in spring with stripes in the bark. A great improvement over Toyama nishiki with consistent variegation and very few reversions. Extremely finely dissected leaves and very pendulous. Protect from extreme heat and wind. **Sh P**

Size 1 \$60

Size 2 \$90

# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples



Gossamer

## *Acer palmatum* 'Gossamer'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

A curly bunch of extremely fine foliage, emerging pale green in spring and summer with an extraordinary fall display of red, orange and yellow. The dissectum leaves are so fine they appear to be threadlike at times. Perhaps the smallest of all the *Acer japonicum*, this little tree offers significant interest for a colder climate garden as well as a container garden. **P C**

Size 2 \$90



Red Dragon

## *Acer palmatum* 'Red Dragon'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

A much more true red rather than purple and holds its red color through the summer. Red Dragon has quickly become the favorite red dissectum. Overall smaller than most dissectum, with a smaller leaf, slower growth habit and black bark making this tree the best choice for a container or bonsai. **H**

Size 2 \$80 Size 3 \$120



Filigree

Multiple tree discounts

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## *Acer palmatum* 'Filigree'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

The palest green of the dissectum with a dotted white variegation that follows the vein of the leaf. Thin lobes with fine serration on the edge create an overall airy, floating appearance. Very slow growing, needs protection from hot sun, low wide form. **Sh**  
Size 3 \$130



Filigree

# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples



Brocade

## *Acer palmatum* 'Brocade'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9  
The finely dissected leaves merge a rosy mauve with pink tips in spring changing to a deep red tone for summer and red and orange for the fall. Pale green bark contrasts very nicely. Beautiful open weeping form offers structural interest in the winter. Not as vigorous as some of the dissectum. Easy to grow. Protect from afternoon sun. **Sh**  
Size 3 \$130



Green Mist

## *Acer palmatum* 'Green Mist'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
A soft, pale green dissectum leaf that hangs lax off of the branch creating a flowing effect. An excellent choice to compliment a water feature. Slow growing very horizontal, weeping habit. Best with some shade. **Sh**  
Size 3 \$120

## *Acer palmatum* 'Emerald Lace'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
Pale green, very finely cut leaves emerge in spring, medium green in summer and completely red in the fall. I'm sure this tree was derived from Seiryu but the form is totally different producing an undulating form with a horizontal plane. Long internodes make this tree difficult for bonsai but wonderful for container gardening. Easy and vigorous to grow, very heat and sun tolerant. **H**  
Size 4 \$150



Emerald Lace

## *Acer palmatum* 'Pink Filigree'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9  
Outstanding bright pink first in spring then deep pink into summer with green suffusing the leaf from the vein for intricate layers of texture and color. Bright red in the fall. Delicate in appearance with fine branches and open structure slow growing but not at all difficult. Protect from hot sun and wind. **Sh**  
Size 3 \$130



Pink Filigree

# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples



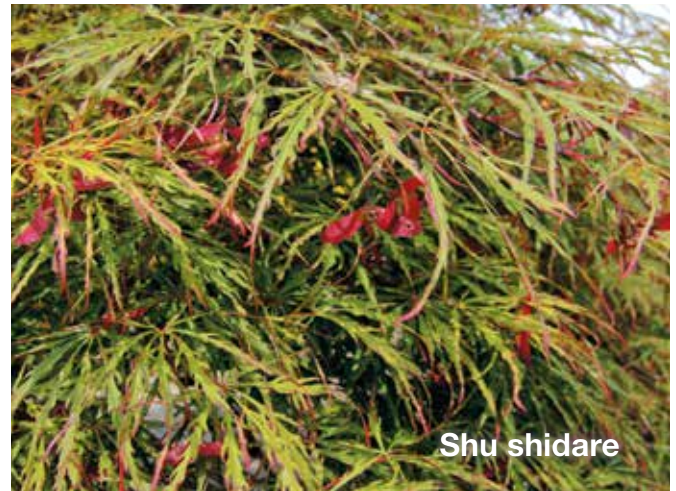
Spring Delight

## *Acer palmatum* 'Spring Delight'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

A vigorously growing dissectum with bright red on the tips of the long narrow leaves in the spring. Faster growing and wide spreading than most dissectum maples, this tree will quickly cover the ground with twisting, curving branches unless staked. Very good sun tolerance, an easy tree to grow. **H**

Size 3 \$120 Size 4 \$150



Shu shidare

## *Acer palmatum* 'Shu shidare'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

An introduction from Talon Buchholz name means 'Orange Weeping', Wonderful orange-yellow spring, green with red tips in summer with jewel red seeds and orange in the fall. Good cold tolerance and vigorously growing. An excellent addition to the garden. **Sh**

Size 3 \$130



Tamukeyama

## *Acer palmatum* 'Tamukeyama'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9

My personal favorite of the red dissectum, a cultivar from Japan in production for many years. The name means 'Tribute to the Mountain'. Different shades of red each season, dark red bark for winter interest. Vigorous, a pleasure to grow. **Sh**

Size 2 \$80

## *Acer palmatum* 'Lemon Lime Lace'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9

Very finely cut laceleaf, pale green spring turns to lime green for summer and golden yellow for fall. Slow growing with very curving weeping structure. Needs protection from late frost and extreme heat.

An elegant container tree. **Sh**

Size 4 \$160



Lemon Lime Lace

# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples



**Beni kumo no sa**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni kumo no sa'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

As finely dissected as 'Red Filigree Lace', 'Beni Kumo No Sa' has the delicate appearance of a spider's web. Spring is bright red (dusty rose in shade) changing to a rusty orange tone in the summer and red in the fall. Extremely slow growing with dense cascading form. Not at all difficult to grow, needs protection from extreme heat, will take a lot of sun in milder climates. Must protect from late freezes. **B**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Inaba shidare'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9

Perhaps the oldest of the red dissectum and one of my personal favorites. Its habit is somewhat more upward growing though still distinctly a weeping form. The resulting curving branches provide a stunning structural statement in the garden.

Excellent red color along with its vigorous growth and heat tolerance make this tree a joy to have in the garden. **H**

Size 3 \$120



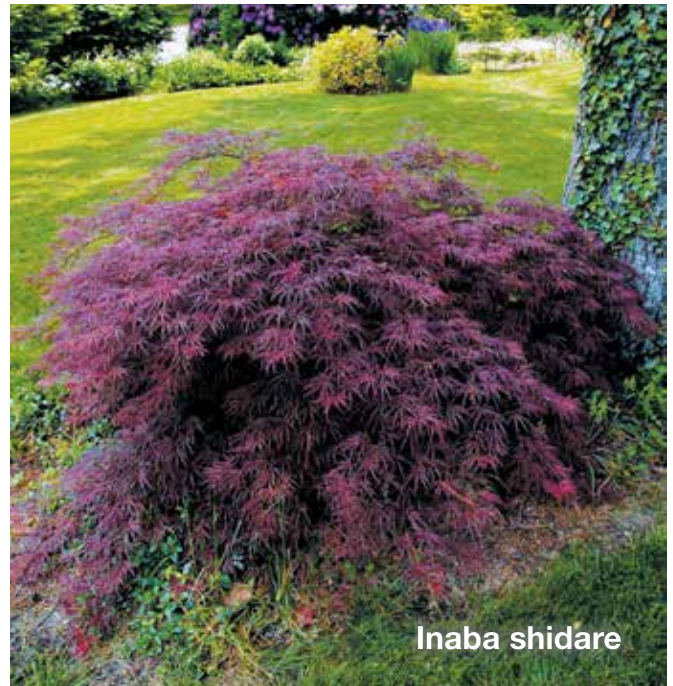
**Washi no o**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Washi no o'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

A very old cultivar whose name means 'Eagle's Tail' in Japanese, referring to the way the petiole (leaf stem) holds the leaf stiffly upright and the lobes are creased at the vein and close together like the eagle's tail. The effect is a much more detailed structure rather than the soft billowing form of most dissectum. Pale green in spring, green summer, golden in the fall. slow growing though not difficult. Very choice selection for a classic garden. **H**

Size 4 \$150



**Inaba shidare**





# Weeping and Cascading Laceleaf Japanese Maples

## *Acer palmatum* 'Chantilly Lace'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9

Large finely cut leaves emerge in spring orange red changing to pale green as the season progresses. As vigorously growing as 'Orangeola' with a much softer texture, the continuous emergence of new growth provides layers of billowy color. I'm enjoying this tree on my deck and eagerly anticipating the intense red of fall. Very good heat tolerance, protect from late spring frosts. **Sh**

Size 4 \$150



Chantilly Lace



Kawaii

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Kawaii'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

Kawaii means 'cute'. Everyone will want this delightful little tree that in their garden. Leaves emerge orange-red in spring. As summer progresses the vein turns green creating an orange edged leaf. Fall is bright red and orange. Smaller than any of the other dissectums in all respects, the leaves are just 3" across, with short internodes and 3' tall in 10 years. Perfect for containers, rock gardens or the small garden. An excellent choice for colder climates. **C**

Size 3 \$130

## *Acer palmatum* 'Orangeola'

Landscape Ht: 6, Container Ht: 3, Zones: 5 to 9

Spring color is orange changing to red and then deep green.

This tree is so vigorous the new growth is pushing the entire season creating three layers of color! Without staking or pruning Orangeola will quickly spread and become a wide dense mound of color. Staking and pruning produce intriguing structural interest. **H**

Size 3 \$120



Baldsmith

## *Acer palmatum* 'Baldsmith'

Landscape Ht: 6, Container Ht: 4, Zones: 6 to 9

An outrageous true red in the spring slowly changing to an orange-red in the summer and bright orange in the fall. An old time favorite from the early days of maple propagation. Very finely cut dissectum leaves. A slowly growing tree, though not at all difficult. Needs protection from hot sun. **Sh**

Size 4 \$160



Orangeola

# Dwarf Japanese Maples

## Dwarfs

Dwarf maples are classified as trees that are mature at under 6'. Although most of these trees were developed for bonsai, these are wonderful trees for a small garden or container as well.



Kuro hime

Multiple tree  
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### *Acer palmatum* 'Kuro hime'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

An exciting new dwarf bringing the red spring of Shin deshojo to a compact dwarf form. Intense red in spring slowly changes green with a red vein and edge, beautiful detail. Tiny leaves, fine branches. **H**

Size 3 \$130

# Dwarf Japanese Maples

## *Acer palmatum* 'Cynthia's Crown Jewel'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

Very small, compact, slow growing with soft serrated leaves, providing a soft texture. A compact pillow of pale yellow and pink in spring quickly changing to orange and then green for summer. We are enchanted with this tree for small gardens and containers. Slow growing, good heat tolerance, easy to grow. **H**

Size 4 \$160



Cynthia's Crown Jewel



Baby Buttons

## *Acer circinatum* 'Baby Buttons'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

Cute as a button, very dwarf form of the acer circinatum with tiny pale green leaves, the size of a fingertip, curled under at the lobes, all bunched up together to form a small dense bush. Much later to emerge than other dwarf maples making this dwarf well suited to colder climates. **C**

Size 3 \$120

## *Acer palmatum* 'Japanese Princess'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

Soft pastel pink variegation is splashed across the leaves in spring like drops of water slowly changing to cream and green through the summer and to red and orange for the fall. This is a new seedling from A.p. Mikawa Yatsubusa introduced by Buchholz Nursery. Very petite, compact little tree with short internodes and lovely structure. Needs protection from hot sun. **B Sh**

Size 2 \$80



Hanami nishiki

## *Acer palmatum* 'Hanami nishiki'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

Tiny leaves, the size of your thumb, make this tree highly desirable for bonsai. The compact form and small size make this tree ideal for a small garden. Easy to grow, heat tolerant. **H**

Size 4 \$150



Japanese Princess

# Dwarf Japanese Maples

## *Acer palmatum* 'Lima Gold'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

I first saw this tree in New Jersey in 2009 and fell in love. Similar upright stocky structure to Mikawa Yatsubusa with a more narrow lobed leaf for a much softer appearance. Leaves are green with a pink blush spring, green summer and golden in the fall. It has good heat and sun tolerance and later to emerge than many dwarfs making it suitable for colder climates. **H**

Size 2 \$90



## *Acer palmatum* 'Mikawa yatsubusa'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9

The very best of the upright dwarfs. In spring, each pale green leaf is layered one on top of another as they emerge. Very slow growing with sturdy upright structure. Glorious red fall color. Excellent as a focal point in a small garden or in a container for continuous seasonal changes. **B**

Size 2 \$90 Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'O jishi'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

A smaller, more compact version of A.p. 'Shishigashira', the leaves are less curled, though internodes are very close. Upright form with multiple stiff branches covered with leaves. The name means 'male lion'. In the fall with the golden-yellow leaves you can imagine the lion's mane. Very slow growing, excellent heat tolerance.

Perfect for bonsai or rock gardens. **H B**

Size 2 \$90 Size 4 \$160



## *Acer circinatum* 'Del's Dwarf'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

A new cultivar from *Acer circinatum*, a native species of Northern California and Southern Oregon. The small, coarse orbicular leaves emerge a Mediterranean rose-orange in late spring. Slowly changing to green for summer and orange-yellow for fall. Very slow growing though not difficult, excellent for colder climates. Outstanding new color and extraordinary new dwarf form. **P**

Size 3 \$130



# Dwarf Japanese Maples



**Kurenai jishi**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Kurenai jishi'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 5 to 9  
Wonderful new red dwarf similar to Mikawa yatsubusa, a small upright tree with very short internodes, leaves right on top of one another, however, rather than lying flat the leaves have a curl in them for an intriguing textural effect. The bright red spring color changes to dark red then green for summer and red for fall. All complimented by a green bark. A distinctly unique new maple wonderful for small gardens and containers. **B**  
Size 4 \$160



**Murasaki kiyohime**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Murasaki kiyohime'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9  
Spring emerges a pale green with a brick red edge. The classic yatsubusa type so frequently used in bonsai, very low and wide with no weeping, the branches grow horizontal to the ground. I've seen this tree, at 50+ years old, over 10' wide and no more than 4' tall! With a profusion of branches, this tree provides many opportunities for creating a beautiful bonsai or container tree. **H B**  
Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Mayday'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9  
A delightful dwarf similar to A.p. Mikawa yatsubusa in growth habit though much smaller. Leaves emerge tightly stacked on top of one another in pale yellow tones changing to a pale green with a subtle splash of white variegation. Upright, dense form. Will need protection from the afternoon sun. An elegant tree well suited to container growing or bonsai or a special place in the garden. **P Sh**  
Size 1 \$60



**Mayday**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Chuguji'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
Sweet little tree with red tipped lobes on a pale yellow leaf. Leaf seems to be a cross between Amoenum and palmate with a serration at the tip of the lobe. Not much information as yet however, I am charmed. **B Sh**  
Size 4 \$160.00



**Chuguji**

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# Dwarf Japanese Maples

## Seedlings for Bonsai

Seedlings are either of species or from cultivars. These seedlings are expressing the specific characteristics of the parent plant. A great opportunity for your next Bonsai.

Size 2 A.p. *Ryusen* seedling \$100  
(see page 45 for description)

Size 4 A.p. *Mikawa yatsubusa* seedling \$160  
(see page 35 for description)



## *Acer palmatum* Seedlings

These sturdy species seedlings have been reduced each year to increase branching and caliper. An excellent first maple for bonsai. **B**  
Size 2 \$50



## *Acer palmatum* 'Shishigashira'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 5 to 9

A very structural tree with branches covered in curly leaves, hence the name 'Lions Mane'. The constrained upright form makes Shishigashira an excellent tree for structural interest where space is limited. Golden yellow fall color. **H**

Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Kamagata'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

The name means 'Eagle's Claw' referring to the curved, sharply pointed lobes of the leaves which create a soft textural effect. Perfectly proportioned small upright tree form. Popping red fall color. Discovered by J.D. Vertrees. Highly desired for bonsai. **B**

Size 4 \$150

## *Acer circinatum* 'Little Gem'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9

Small crumpled leaves emerge pale yellow and pink on bright red stems slowly changing to a bright green for summer, fall colors range from orange to crimson. The first dwarf form of *Acer circinatum*, discovered as a witches broom in Stanley Park in Vancouver. A dense mounding form, excellent dwarf for colder climates. **C**

Size 4 \$150



# Dwarf Japanese Maples



Sode no uchi

## *Acer sieboldianum* 'Sode no uchi'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 4 to 9

Delicate in appearance with small 1" orbicular leaves, an upright growth habit and layered branching. A native of Japan, highly sought by bonsai enthusiasts everywhere. Very slow growing, just inches per year. A delight in the nursery, whenever I see this tree it's as though it hasn't changed, just a perfect little tree.

*Acer Sieboldianum* offers excellent cold tolerance. **C B**

Size 4 \$160



Otaha

## *Acer palmatum* 'Otaha'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

Tiny red leaves in spring, similar to the rare Beni hime with greater vigor, easier to grow. An adorable small tree. Green in the summer, back to red in the fall. Good heat tolerance, protect from late spring frost. An exciting new addition to the Maple world. **B**

Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Shishio hime'

Landscape Ht: 3 Container Ht: 2 Zones: 6 to 9

The small leaves are a pale yellow green with a cherry red edge in spring, green in summer and yellow in the fall.

Low and wide form, very dense branching. Excellent for container or bonsai. **H B**

Size 4 \$150



Ryu gu

## *Acer palmatum* 'Ryu gu'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9

A delightful variegated tree pinkish orange on first emergence with a consistent splatter of hot pink across each green leaf in spring and bright pink stems. Changing to cream and green in summer and two tone red in the fall. Upright, dense, small tree less vigorous with closer internodes than Oridono nishiki. Lovely addition to any garden. **B**

Size 4 \$160



Shishio hime

# Variegated Japanese Maples

## Variegated

Providing the most intriguing details and color these are perfect trees for container gardens. They will catch your breath when your first see them. With color that is constantly changing, a delight to have in your outdoor living space.



Shigitatsu sawa



Shigitatsu sawa

### *Acer palmatum* 'Shigitatsu sawa'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

One of the first cultivars with variegation following the vein of the leaf. Very pale green in spring changing to a medium green in summer with a less defined vein. Fall color is golden yellow with a contrasting vein. Bark is pale green with white striations. Structure is open and layered, as wide as tall. Slow growing, though not difficult, must have protection from intense sun. **Sh**  
Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160





# Variegated Japanese Maples



**Manyo no sato**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Manyo no sato'

Landscape Ht: 6, Container Ht: 4, Zones: 6 to 9  
 Outragous! A startling chartreuse and maroon variegated tree, an exceptional new introduction with a color combination I've never seen before in the maples. Easy to grow with good sun tolerance. A slow growing dense upright form. Excellent for small gardens and containers. **H**  
 Size 4 \$160



**Mikazuki**



**Mikazuki**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Mikazuki'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9  
 The name meaning 'Crescent Moon' in Japanese, I believe they are referring to the ethereal quality of the color and the texture. Deep pink on first emergence quickly changing to a pale pink with a green vein. As the leaf matures the color is a variegated bronze. The edge of each lobe is heavily serrated, sharply pointed and curls under slightly creating an incredible light airy texture. Wide open form with cascading branches. This tree will need protection from hot sun. **Sh**  
 Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160



**Lilianne's Jewel**

## *Acer palmatum* 'Lilianne's Jewel'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9  
 A consistent pink and white variegation covers all of the red finely lobed leaves. Pinks range from the hot pink tips to pastel pinks as they slowly turn to white for the summer. Fall is two tone red and orange following the variegation. Some of the leaves show sickle shaped distortion typical of heavily variegated trees. Wide spreading form. Good heat tolerance, though afternoon protection is recommended. **P**  
 Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Olson's Frosted Strawberry'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9  
 Bright strawberry red first emergence, slowly pink suffuses the leaf along the vein as the spring progresses. Graceful deeply divided leaves with serrated edges gently curve at the tips. I have not seen this tree in it's mature form however, I believe it will be typical for this group, wide spreading with cascading branches. Olsen's Frosted Strawberry is slow growing and needs protection from intense heat. **Sh P**  
 Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160



**Olson's Frosted Strawberry**

# Variegated Japanese Maples

## *Acer palmatum* 'Rainbow'

Landscape Ht: 10, Container Ht: 6, Zones: 5 to 9

Stunning hot pink variegation on a deep red leaf in spring changes to soft pink and red in summer and pure red fall color. Variegation is different on each leaf. Some are completely pink while others are half pink and red. Some, even, are half pink with a pink splash across the leaf! I recommend removing some of the solid red leaves after spring has passed to prevent reversion. Wide spreading form. Protect from afternoon sun. **Sh** Size 3 \$130 Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Ariadne'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Ariadne is all about subtlety and grace. Variegated soft pastel pink and yellow and white tones in spring follow the vein of the leaf. Summer is a subtle green on green. The variegation reappears in fall changing to soft red and orange. Graceful wide spreading form with cascading branches, long lobes on the leaves hang lax and create movement. Slow growing but quite easy, best color with some shade. Will burn in hotter climates. **P** Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Ukigumo'

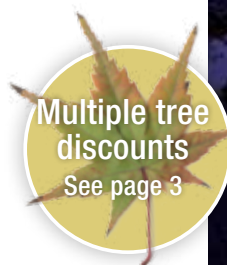
Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9

Named 'Floating Cloud' for the heavily variegated leaves that are almost completely white at times. Spring emergence is pastel pink. This tree responds quickly to cultural situations reverting to a plain green amoenum leaf with either too much fertilizer or sun. My tree matured to have perfectly white layers of branches in the under story and a canopy of amoenum leaves on top. Small, quite upright in form. Gold and yellow in the fall. **Sh** Size 4 \$160

## *Acer palmatum* 'Coral Pink'

Landscape Ht: 4 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 6 to 9

The softest pale frosting of pink on the sharply pointed heavily serrated leaves and hot pink stems contrast in spring for a stunning and elegant display. Pale green with a white dusting of variegation through the summer, changing to a coral orange in the fall. Lovely small upright form. Perfect for the small garden or container. Easy, though slow growing. Needs protection from afternoon sun. **Sh** Size 1 \$60 Size 4 \$160



# Variegated Japanese Maples



## *Acer sieboldianum* 'Kumoi nishiki'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
Heavily variegated tree with a splash of creamy white across each leaf. Emerges a soft pink and pale green quickly changing to cream and green for summer and a brilliant blast of two toned red and orange for the fall. Up right form, easy to grow. A beautiful new variegated tree especially suited to colder climates. **C**

Size 1 \$60

Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Butterfly'

Landscape Ht: 8, Container Ht: 6, Zones: 5 to 9  
Soft pastel pink in spring changing to creamy white edges with blue green centers in the summer on irregularly shaped leaves. Fall is a stunning magenta pink, nothing else in the nursery has this color. A petite little tree with a very upright twiggy growth habit. I've seen this tree happy in some very hot locations with good water. A compact tree, wonderful for a container or a small garden. **Sh**

Size 4 \$150



## *Acer palmatum* 'Peaches and Cream'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 6 to 9  
Who can resist this tree? I've watched people gasp when they see it in the spring. Oh so soft a pink on the edge of the cream leaf slowly unfurling to a ruffled edge. As the season progresses the leaf changes to mostly cream with green veins. Fall is gold and orange, once again, soft pastel tones. Slow growing and wide spreading, this tree must have protection from the hot sun as the pale leaves burn easily. Well worth the effort to find just the right location.

**Sh P** Size 3 \$120

## *Acer palmatum* 'Higasa yama'

Landscape Ht: 12, Container Ht: 6, Zones: 6 to 9  
One of the older variegated trees from Japan named after Mount Higasayama. Small palmate leaves emerge in spring with pink following the veins of the leaf slowly turning to a creamy color surrounded by green. I recommend this tree for containers rather than the landscape to keep the detail of the leaf within view. **B**

Size 4 \$160



# Japanese Maples with Unusual Features



Mr. Sun

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Mr. Sun'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9

A happy new *Acer shirasawanum* cross with sharply pointed lobes that curl slightly under. Pale green on emergence changing to a medium green through the summer and golden yellow for the fall. The overall effect is light and happy. Discovered by Talon Buchholz and named for its resemblance to a child's drawing of the sun, upright in form with a medium growth rate, excellent cold tolerance. **C B**

Size 4 \$160



Red Sentinel

## *Acer palmatum* 'Red Sentinel'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

A witches broom with a dense, narrow upright form about 3' wide at maturity. Providing excellent red spring, summer and fall. Outstanding as an anchor at a corner or entrance. Also perfect for a container on a deck with limited space. Easy to grow with good heat tolerance. **H**

Size 3 \$120



Kogane sakae

## *Acer palmatum* 'Red Rugose'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 6 to 9

The ruby red spring emergence along with the stocky, angular structure of this tree immediately caught my interest. The rugose leaves change to deep red in the summer and orange red in the fall. Green bark provides a striking contrast for the red leaves and a handsome structural interest in the winter. Not at all difficult to grow with a slow to medium growth rate. Great detail interest for close viewing or containers. **Sh**

Size 4 \$130

## *Acer palmatum* 'Kogane sakae'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 5 Zones: 5 to 9

The name meaning 'Golden Prosperity', an amoenum leaf maple with outstanding golden yellow stripes in the bark. The lovely 7 lobed amoenum leaves have a curl at the tips. Not at all difficult to grow with an upright, wide spreading form. Consistent orange yellow fall color. Excellent cold tolerance though needs protection from afternoon sun in hotter climates. **C**

Size 3 \$130



Red Rugose

# Japanese Maples with Unusual Features



## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Moonrise'

Landscape Ht: 12 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

We were stunned by the bright red spring emergence on this tree. Add the wonderful chartreuse summer color, a vigorous growth habit and an increased sun tolerance and you can see why we are excited about this tree. Big, beautiful open form, an excellent choice for those of us who love Aureum but don't have the shade. **C**  
Size 3 \$120

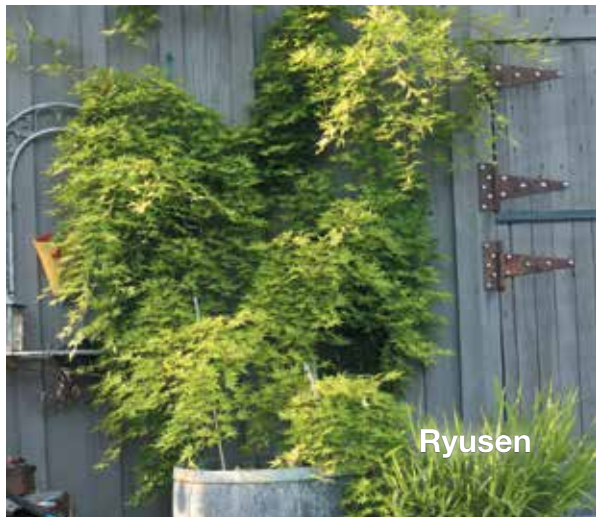


## *Acer palmatum* 'Hanezu hagogoromo'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Hagoromo meaning 'feathered mantle' the feathery singular lobes attach to the stem without a petiole creating an unusual textural effect. Bright sunny yellow orange spring changes to pale green in the summer and yellow for the fall. Upright somewhat narrow form. An interesting addition to any garden, a must have for collectors. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$160

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## *Acer palmatum* 'Ryusen'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 3 Zones: 5 to 9

A new weeping palmate, like a waterfall of stars, offers incredible possibilities with its great vigor and totally weeping form. I first saw this tree in a container on top of a pedestal cascading down 3' below the container! As vigorously growing as the species, consider staking to create an 'S' curve for vertical structure. Excellent sun and heat tolerance. Ryusen is later to emerge than most weeping trees and therefore more suited to climates with late spring freezes. This tree would be lovely next to a water effect, a wonderful addition to any garden. **H** Size 2 \$90

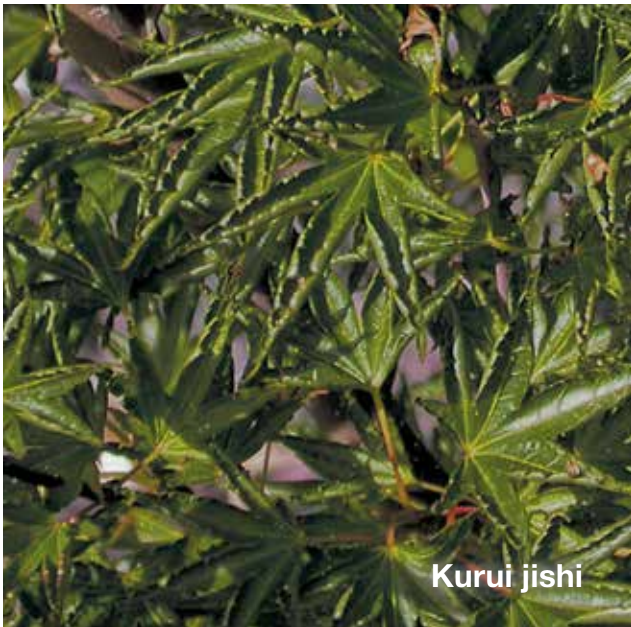
## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Jordan'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 9

Emerging a lovely pastel orange changing to stunning bright yellow through the summer with red seeds that push up above the leaves. Introduced by Fratelli Ghiradlli and named after his son, this tree provides it's best color and thrives with full sun. Once mature the leaves have the typical 9-11 lobes found with the shirasawanum. A vigorous upright tree. At last a yellow tree for the colder climates! **C**  
Size 3 \$130



# Japanese Maples with Unusual Features



Kurui jishi

## *Acer palmatum* 'Kurui jishi'

Named the "Crazy Lion" this is a fun and interesting tree. Each lobe of the small palmate leaf is curled under to meet the edges creating a very sharp and pointed effect. The branches twist upward and around like the furl of smoke from a fire. Excellent interest for close viewing. **H**

Size 4 \$160



Tenuifolium

## *Acer shirasawanum* 'Tenuifolium'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
Lovely orbicular leaf unfolds like a pale green fan in spring. Vigorous in the first year of growth then slowing to perhaps 3" per year. A wide, open, layered form, with beautiful fall color. Easy to grow, excellent cold tolerance, needs protection from hot sun. Wonderful for containers and small gardens, frequently used for bonsai. **C B**

Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni hageromo'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
The feather-like leaves on this tree along with the layers of pink red and blue green create the impression of a soft deep tower. Upright narrow form. An excellent new tree for container and landscape. **H**

Size 4 \$160



Beni hageromo

## *Acer palmatum* 'Baby Lace'

Landscape Ht: 5 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 6 to 9  
The only truly dwarf dissectum, 'Baby Lace' has short internodes producing compact bunches of curly growth along the branch. Orange-red lacy leaves emerge on pale green branches. A witches broom. Very unique and exotic. Somewhat delicate but worth the attention. **P**

Size 3 \$130



Baby Lace

# Linearlobum (Threadleaf) Japanese Maples



## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni otake'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

The name means "Red Bamboo" and the appearance of this upright linearlobum maple is similar to bamboo. The strap like leaves are bright red in spring changing to deep red in the summer and scarlet in the fall. With black bark and an open wispy appearance, very interesting texture and color. **H**  
Size 3 \$120



## *Acer palmatum* 'Koto no ito'

Landscape Ht: 9 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

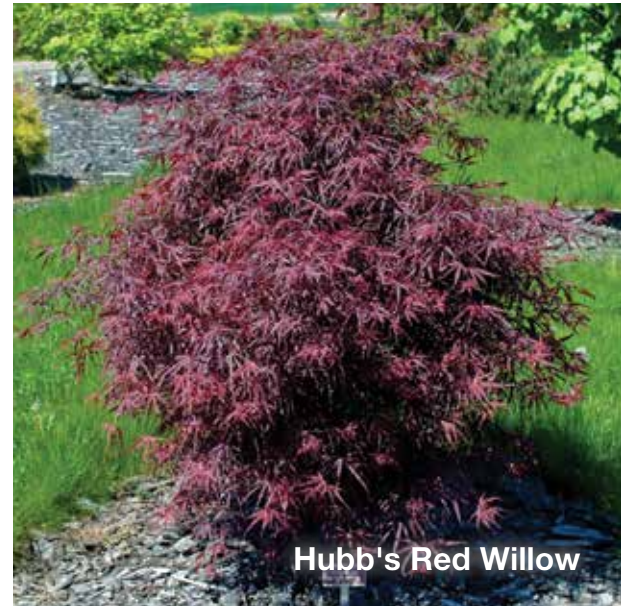
Koto no ito means 'Harp Strings' referring to the very fine linearlobum leaves. Spring foliage is pale green changing to medium green in summer then golden yellow in the fall. The mature leaves have extremely thin and long lobes that sometimes spiral, however wider lobes are common during vigorous growth in youth. Koto no ito is an upright tree, dense with a soft appearance. It is easy to grow and quite heat tolerant despite the finely textured leaves. **H**  
Size 2 \$80 Size 3 \$120 Size 4 \$150

## *Acer palmatum* 'Hubb's Red Willow'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 6 to 9

Narrow linearlobum leaves emerge bright red in spring changing to deep red for summer, finishing with fiery orange-red in the fall. A compact upright form provides a soft texture with great impact from the intense color year round. Excellent for containers and the small garden. Easy to grow, protect from afternoon sun in hot climates. **H**

Size 4 \$160



## *Acer palmatum* 'Beni ubi gohan'

Landscape Ht: 6 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

Dusty rose with a green vein changing to a deep red in summer and scarlet in the fall. The leaves are much smaller, about 2", and the small compact form is unusual for a maple in the linearlobum group. A slow consistent grower, wonderful for bonsai and container. **B H**  
Size 4 \$160



# Other Than Maples (We Couldn't Resist)

## *Fagus sylvatica* 'Red Obelisk'

Originally found and produced at the Trompenberg Arboretum in the 1970s. A bright red on first emergence, a deeper purple red throughout the summer. Slow growing reaching up to 50" in great age. Truly obelisk in form, a stately addition your garden. **H**  
Size 4 \$160

## *Fagus sylvatica* 'Roseo Marginata'

Landscape Ht: 15 Container Ht: 8 Zones: 5 to 12  
Outrageous hot pink in the spring lasting well into June slowly changing to green and white. Very slow growing, eventually reaching up to 30' in height and 25' in width. A complete show stopper in the garden, all eyes move to this tree in the spring. **Sh**  
Size 4 \$160



Roseo Marginata

## *Fagus sylvatica* 'Purple Fountain'

Landscape Ht: 10 Container Ht: 6 Zones: 5 to 9  
A majestic weeping cultivar of the *Fagus sylvatica* found though out Europe. Robin Hood built his treehouses in the Sherwood forest with these towering beauties. F.s. Purple Fountain displays deep purple glossy leaves with a ruffled edge. Very slow growing and long lived with some trees growing to over 30 feet tall in great age. **H**  
Size 4 \$160

## *Acer campestre* 'Carnival'

Landscape Ht: 8 Container Ht: 4 Zones: 5 to 9

The durability of *acer campestre* with incredible variegation. Soft pink and white in spring changing to cream and green for summer golden yellow in the fall.

Though heat tolerant, the variegation requires protection from afternoon sun.

The pure white in the summer months will draw the eye to where ever its planted.

Well suited to colder climates. **Sh**

Size 1 \$60



Carnival



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Red Obelisk



Purple Fountain



Carnival



# Containers for Japanese Maples

## Terracaste Containers - Planter Bowls and Patio Tree Container

Made of spun polyethylene, lightweight, unaffected by temperature, virtually indestructible. With the appearance of stone at less than 25% of the weight, these polyethylene containers allow you to consider the needs of the trees without the deterioration of the container being an issue. Available in two styles and two colors, charcoal and dark monzonite. Granite texture finish.

**Planter Bowls** are just the right proportion and size for creating container gardens and they are beautiful! Their low, wide form is perfect for the shallow fibrous root system of the maples making access to the roots easy for root pruning while providing ample soil and a generous area for companion plants. I love working with the trees in these containers because both are long lived giving us the opportunity to age and mature together.

24 in. Planter Bowl \$160: 24" wide, 6.5" deep. Planter Bowl \$300: 37" wide 10" deep. Please specify color, Charcoal or Dark Monzonite.



## Redwood Boxes and Troughs

An incredible craftsman and collector of reclaimed wood has created these beautiful clear heart redwood boxes and troughs with the detail and design you would normally see in furniture making. The quality of the redwood will never be found again. Some of the raw materials were collected from structures in San Francisco originating in the 1880s. Because of the quality of the wood and fine craftsmanship these boxes are excellent containers for the maples. I have had them on my deck for more than 10 years and through several root prunings. They have held up nicely and are exquisitely beautiful.

36 x 24 x 12 Redwood Box \$375

24 x 18 x 8 Redwood Box \$275

24 x 24 x 8 Redwood Box \$300



## Patio Tree Container

Made of the same durable material as the bowls, my mother, Nancy Fiers, designed the Patio Tree container from her favorite bonsai pot. Not as wide and slightly deeper than the Planter Bowls, this container was designed for a tall, upright standard tree such as Red Rugose. The Patio Tree Container holds 40 gallons of soil and will comfortably hold a tree up to eight feet tall.

Patio Container,  
33" wide & 12.5" deep \$325  
(Specify color, as above)



## Mica Pots

I first saw these pots at a bonsai nursery in New England and was excited to find they are made in larger, deeper sizes suited for container gardening. Each of these containers has wonderful proportion and is the perfect size for a tabletop on the patio. Made primarily of mica with polyethylene and graphite, these containers are dense and provide a thermal effect that moderates temperatures to protect roots. The polyethylene provides durability; my friend in New England has had bonsai in these containers for over 10 years and graphite provides the stable color creating the appearance of a fine ceramic container without the expense or the breakage. These containers are a wonderful way to transition a young tree from a container to the garden or a larger container and enjoy them in the process.

Medium Oval Mica Pot 22 x 15 x 6: \$55

Medium Rectangular Mica Pot 20.75 x 14.5 x 5.75: \$55

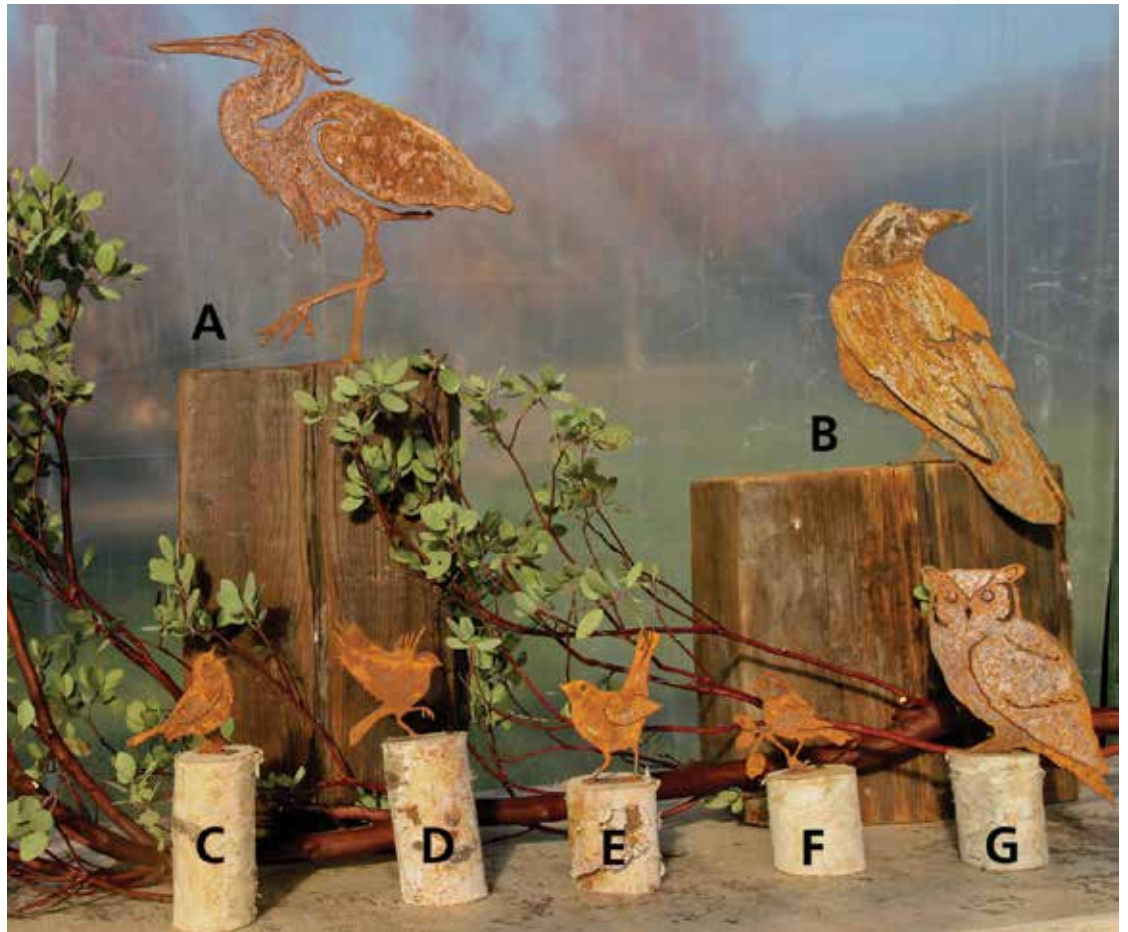
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## Bird Silhouettes

These Rustic metal silhouettes are a delightful reminder of the friends we share our garden with. Incredible detail capturing the personality of each of these lovely creatures. From the sweetest songbird to the raptors each piece is a beautiful piece of art for the garden.

Bird silhouettes and prices:

- A. Great Blue Heron  
13.5" x 14.5" - \$25
- B. Raven  
8.5" x 13.5" - \$25
- C. Singing Warbler  
3.5" x 4" - \$8
- D. Flying Bluebird  
4.75" x 5.5" - \$8
- E. Baby Robin  
3.5" x 5" - \$8
- F. Black-Capped Chickadee  
4" x 3.5" - \$8
- G. Screech Owl  
6" x 8" - \$15



## Buddha Fragments

I found myself sigh from the calm peaceful presence of this sculpture. Designed as fragments of monumental sculptures, suggested placement in the garden is as a fallen artifact discovered for the first time. The Buddha Fragments can also be hung on a wall or a large tree. Each piece is unique, handmade by the artist from fiber and reinforced cement and will naturalize to become a part of the garden. Easily withstands harsh winters without damage, the reinforced concrete will not break. Please be aware each piece is handmade and colors will vary slightly though in the same range of earth tones.

Buddha Fragments \$140  
Approximately 14" by 14" weighing 9 lbs.



Buddha Fragments

# Garden Ornaments

## Words for the Garden

Being in the garden brings me a sense of peace and connection. These are inspiring words placed in the garden open the heart. We have commissioned the artist, Adam Hubenig to create custom pieces especially for the garden. Each piece of redwood driftwood is hand selected and thoughtful words are deeply etched to create a piece for the garden to enjoy for years to come. Whether hanging from a favorite tree or on an exterior wall each piece provides a lovely calming effect.



Medium Words for the Garden \$30 (8"-10")

1. *Adopt a pace of nature: her secret is patience.*  
Ralph Waldo Emerson
2. *In seed time learn, in harvest teach, in winter enjoy.*  
William Blake
3. *Once there was a tree, and she loved a little boy.*  
Shel Silverstein, *The Giving Tree*
4. *The Earth would die if the sun stopped kissing her.* Hafiz
5. *I believe the world is incomprehensibly beautiful —an endless prospect of magic and wonder.* Ansel Adams

Large Words for the Garden \$45 (12"-18")

1. *Forget not that the earth delights to feel your bare feet and the winds long to play with your hair.* Khalil Gibran
2. *Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree.* Martin Luther
3. *Every particular in nature, a leaf, a drop, a crystal, a moment of time is related to the whole, and partakes of the perfection of the whole.*  
Ralph Waldo Emerson
4. *Those who contemplate the beauty of the Earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts.* Rachel Carson
5. *Keep close to Nature's heart. . . and break clear away once in a awhile, and climb a mountain or spend a week in the woods. Wash your spirit clean.*  
John Muir

## Granite Spheres

While in Costa Rica I had the opportunity to see the stone sphere artifacts left by the Indians in the jungle. The perfect sphere in a natural environment has a striking design effect. These granite balls are a small impression of this effect. The coarse multicolored surface of the granite will slowly grow a bright green moss in moist environments. Solid Natural Granite Spheres \$15.00 each, 3.5" to 5" in diameter. Each is unique.



## Glass Eggs

Made with a coarse tumble, smooth but not shiny, providing a translucent color illuminating with the sunlight. Perfect for container gardens.

Approximately 2"x 1.5"

Garnet red, cobalt blue or opalescent white - \$6 each.

All three, one each color, \$15

# Hardgoods for the Care of the Maples

## Protect and Care

### Happy Frog Fertilizer (4-8-5)

Finally, a fertilizer that's blended for the unique needs of Japanese maples. This fertilizer uses a lower-nitrogen formula that supports a natural tendency to grow in cool weather environments. This means less leaf scorch in summer—even in sun—and a smooth transition to dazzling fall color. A lower pH helps the roots take up the nutrients they need, and phosphorus and potassium deliver color illumination like you've never seen before.

Use 1/2 cup for every two feet of plant height, spring and summer. Because Japanese maples have shallow root systems, mulch regularly and keep soil damp.

Happy Frog Fertilizer 4 lbs. \$10

### Superthrive

A little bit goes a long way to insure success any time you are working with the roots. A vitamin and hormone supplement, whether potting up, root pruning or transplanting a soak in Superthrive stimulates the plant to grow preventing shock issues. This product has been around for a long time and it works!

Superthrive 2oz. \$6

### Dyna-Gro 'Pro-teKt'

Pro-teKt provides higher levels of silicon and potassium to build stronger cell walls for protection against environmental stresses such as heat and wind. Our friends in the hot, dry Southwest have found using Pro-teKt consistently will reduce and even eliminate leaf burn.

Use at 1/2 teaspoon per gallon every watering for best results.

Dyna-Gro 'Pro-teKt' \$8

### Dyna-Gro 'Grow' Liquid Fertilizer

An excellent liquid fertilizer for trees in containers. Dyna-Gro provides complete nutrition with all 6 macronutrients as well as 10 micronutrients. The lower nitrogen to phosphorus ratio promotes slow steady growth and strong roots. Lower soluble salts reduce the salt build up so common from liquid fertilizer and a problem particularly for maples.

We use Dyna-Gro 'Grow' on all of our young trees here at the nursery at a rate of 1/2 teaspoon per gallon 1 time per week.

Dyna Gro 'Grow' 32 oz. \$20

### Phyton 27 Fungicide-Bactericide

Phyton 27 is a systemic, broad spectrum fungicide-bactericide. This preventative maintenance program along with has virtually eliminated disease in the nursery.

I recommend a drench of 1 teaspoon per gallon to saturate the roots in the spring when the leaves begin to emerge and again in the fall before fall color begins. Phyton 27 is also effective in the treatment of active infections with a foliar spray at a rate of 1/2 tsp. per gallon, three times at 10 day intervals.

Phyton 27 2oz \$26

### Phytech 50 Cut Paste

Phytech 50 is a lanolin based cut paste that protects wounds from insects and disease while still allowing the tissue to breathe. I've seen one application of in place for over a year as a difficult wound healed on a favorite tree. I appreciate the neutral beige color doesn't draw attention to the wound as it heals. We treat cuts over 1/4 with Phytech 50.

Phytech 50 - 18 gm Tube \$10

Phytech - 50 1lb Tub \$30

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Youtube video:  
*Pruning Japanese Maples*  
[youtube.com/user/tsukushigata](http://youtube.com/user/tsukushigata)



## Tools

### Concave Branch Cutter

Professional Quality Concave Branch Cutter. My most frequently used tool for pruning in the nursery. Excellent for a perfectly clean cut in exactly the right place. The high carbon steel of this Concave Cutter will keep a sharp edge indefinitely when properly used and cared for. Vinyl-coated handles provide a comfortable and sure grip with this Professional quality tool, particularly during cold or hot weather.

7/8" blades, 8" overall length.



Concave Branch Cutter \$65

### GardenCut Shears

Incredibly sharp carbon-steel blades that can cut 1/2 inch branches quite readily and strong pointed tips that permit snipping in very tight spaces. They are nearly indestructible. Even in our greenhouses, where they get watered regularly right along with the trees, they last for years. Bright red handles help you find them, and cushion your grip. They are great for keeping your container trees well groomed, as well as many other chores you need them for.



GardenCut Shears \$18

### Spherical Knobcutters

Known in Japan as Kobu iri Hasami, these cutters are designed for removing trunk knobs and roots. The head is shaped like a ball, hence the name 'Spherical'. They produce a hollow, circular cut that heals quickly and with a minimum of scarring. The high carbon steel of this Knob Cutter will keep a sharp edge indefinitely when properly used and cared for. Vinyl-covered handles provide a comfortable and sure grip with this Professional quality tool. 5/8" blades, 8" overall length.



Spherical Knobcutters \$65

### Silky Pocket Boy 130mm Fine

Silky PocketBoy 130mm fine teeth compact saw. Highest quality available, a delight to use, 22 teeth per inch insure a clean cut. Includes carrying case.



Silky Pocket Boy \$36

### Tool Kit

Get three of our best tools for one package price: Silky Pocket Boy 130, GardenCut Shears, Phytech 50



Tool Kit \$55

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 A.p. Rugose  
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 A.p. Taylor  
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 A.p. Tsuma beni  
 A.p. Uncle Ghost  
 A.p. Villa Taranto  
 A.p. Waterfall  
 A.p. Yuki yama  
 A.s. Aureum  
 A.s. Red Dawn



## Excellent Customer Service

### We are happy to hand pick your tree for you.

Whether for bonsai or the landscape, lower branching or strong central leader, let us know what you need.

**We have an extensive collection of Japanese Maples.** For complete availability please visit our website: [essenceofthetree.com](http://essenceofthetree.com) or call us at 888-489-1886

### Choose the best maple for your location.

Choosing which tree will provide the characteristics we desire as well as be compatible with our climate can be challenging. Over the years we have had the opportunity to learn the tolerances and weaknesses of the different cultivars. We are happy to help you find the perfect tree for your specific area and care for it. Please call or email us with your questions.

### Special Services

Looking for a rare cultivar? Let us know and we will search through our sources to find it. Do you need help identifying the name of a maple? We are happy to help. Please send as much information as you can including photos. We encourage our customers to call us if a tree seems have a problem. Often we have the answers and an early call can save a tree.

### About our Maples

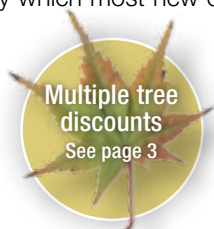
Our Maples are grown to express the essence of the tree. With timely pruning, staking and fertilization to promote healthy roots and slow consistent growth the trees mature into perfect individual specimen.

We are currently offering three different methods of propagation.

**Maples propagated by grafting** are generally considered the best for use in the landscape as they develop a stronger root system more quickly and are larger at a younger age.

**Rooted cuttings** are highly sought for bonsai and container gardening where the presence of a graft line may be undesirable.

**Seedlings** are either of species or from cultivars. Although a cultivar will express the specific characteristics of the parent plant by either grafting or rooted cutting, a seedling from a cultivar is always a surprise, a unique individual. This the method by which most new cultivars are discovered.



## About Our Size Groups

We have had many customers call us exclaiming their pleasant surprise at the size and maturity of our trees. We are selling beautiful, well developed trees. We do not sell new grafts or liners as a size one tree. Although the tree may be in a one gallon pot the maturity of the tree is much different. We grow our trees slowly with plenty of space to allow for the development of the root system and branch structure. We also harden the trees off before they are shipped to be sure they are ready to be planted in the garden. We are committed to the success of your trees. Because maples vary greatly in their rate of growth as well as mature size we speak of their age as well as a size range. These size ranges exclude the smallest and the largest trees to provide an average for the majority. Our goal in production is to produce beautiful, healthy trees that are true to form with a pot full of roots.

Sizes are indicated by ht x w x caliper (diameter. of trunk at base)

Group	Age	Container	Size
Size 1	2-3 years old	1 gallon	1' x .5' x .25" to 2' x 2' x .35"
Size 2	3-4 years old	3 gallon	2' x 1' x .35" to 3' x 2.5' x .5"
Size 3	4-5 years old	5 gallon	2.5' x 2' x .5" to 5' x 3' x .75"
Size 4	5-6 years old	7 gallon	3' x 2.5' x .75" to 6' x 5' x 1"

Older trees are listed and priced separately to help calculate the shipping charges. Specimen trees are mature individuals listed with information specific to the tree and photographs.



### About Landscape Height, Container Height and Zones

We provide the rate of growth in the descriptions of the individual cultivars as well as height in a container or in the landscape at 10 years. Cultural conditions influence growth rates considerably. USDA hardiness zone information is provided with each cultivar. If you don't know your what USDA zone you are in please check our website or go to: [www.usna.usda.gov/Hardzone/](http://www.usna.usda.gov/Hardzone/)

### Our Guarantee and Return Policy

Our plants are guaranteed healthy and true to name at the time of shipment. We realize the careful consideration that goes into choosing plants for your gardens and collections, also the time and effort to plant and care for them. Please notify us within 6 months if your tree fails to thrive and we will either replace your tree, offer you a credit for future purchase, or refund the cost of the plant. We cannot be responsible for unseasonable weather. Shipping charges are non-refundable.

All items other than plants are unconditionally guaranteed and can be returned for a full refund of purchase price up to 30 days from receipt.

*Our hope is to exceed your expectations.  
We know you will be thrilled when you receive your trees.*

# Shipping Information and Order Form

## How We Ship

Shipping plants is all about timing. It is a challenge to coordinate the growth cycles of the trees with the climate where they are grown and the climate where they are being shipped.

Fall shipping begins in mid-September, after the heat of summer has passed. A minimum of 6 weeks frost free weather where the tree is being shipped is needed to establish the roots for fall planting. We recommend fall shipment for milder climates to take advantage of root growth prior to dormancy. All of California, the coastal Northwest, the Southwest (except high mountain areas) and the Southeastern United States do best with fall shipment.

Shipments begin in February to the Southern States, the hottest areas of the country. This allows the trees to emerge from dormancy on schedule and benefit from spring root growth prior to the stress of summer heat. The colder Northern climates begin receiving trees after the last frost date to avoid damage from early emergence.

Plants are pulled from regular inventory as they are purchased and flagged "sold" with your name and ship date so you receive the best selection regardless of your ship date. On the Friday prior to your ship date we begin preparation for shipment with watering and inspection. On Sunday the trees are depotted, excess soil is removed from the roots and the rootball is enclosed in a plastic bag with moist peat moss to provide water during travel time. Plants are shipped on Monday and Tuesday to ensure arrival prior to the weekend. We use both USPS Priority Mail and UPS ground to California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington and either USPS Priority or UPS 3-Day Select service to all other states. These services provide arrival within 3 days and allow us to track the packages. **Because the sizes vary, predetermining shipping charges on older and specimen trees is not possible. You will be charged for handling when the order is placed and the actual cost of shipping will be charged to your credit card after shipment. We will email a separate receipt for this charge.**

These shipping schedules and methods have been developed from the experience of several generations of mail order garden nurseries and our knowledge of the growth habits of the trees. We do recognize there are unique microclimates and some gardeners have greenhouses to provide protection and spring sometimes comes early (or late!). Please call or email us for special ship date requests. We need to hear from you before or by the Friday prior to your ship date to change shipping arrangements. We are happy to accommodate you.

Plants should be delivered to a location out of the sun. Please open your box as soon as possible and let us know if there are any problems with your order. We seldom have damage during shipment or errors during fulfillment however if there is a problem we want to resolve it right away. Trees can be held in a cool dark place for up to 3 days after arrival until planting. We will include planting directions with your tree or you can download a copy from our website to prepare before arrival.

Hardgoods will be shipped on the Wednesday following your order or with your plant order.

**Shipping charges** are determined by the original retail price prior to any discounts or sales. Please call for shipments outside of the Continental United States.

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Merchandise total	3-day	Merchandise total	3-day
0-\$20.00	\$13.00	0-\$20.00	\$19.00
\$20.01-\$60.00	\$21.00	\$20.01-\$60.00	\$28.00
\$60.01-\$100.00	\$28.00	\$60.01-\$120.00	\$42.00
\$100.01-\$160.00	\$35.00	\$120.01-\$180.00	\$56.00
\$160.01-\$200.00	\$43.00	\$180.01-\$220.00	\$64.00
\$200.01-\$300.00	\$49.00	\$220.01-\$320.00	\$71.00
\$300.01-\$400.00	\$54.00	\$320.01-\$400.00	\$84.00
\$400.01 and up	18.0%	\$400.01 and up	22.0%

## How to Order

**By Phone: tollfree 888-489-1886 or FAX: 888-338-7295**

Our knowledgeable staff is on the phone Monday through Friday 9-5pm PST

We always enjoy hearing from you. We care about the trees and are committed to your success. We are happy to discuss individual trees in the inventory regarding structure and size to ensure you receive the perfect tree for your location and application. Each call is answered personally; we don't have a machine to put you on hold. If you get our answering service during these hours we are on the line assisting another customer and will call you back promptly. If there is a specific time you would like us to return the call, please let us know. We never share phone numbers.

**Online: [www.essenceofthetree.com](http://www.essenceofthetree.com)** Our website is extensive with hundreds of beautiful photographs, informative articles and search tools to help you find the perfect tree for your application. You can order online with confidence. The secure server will protect all of your credit card and private information. We carefully check each order placed online to and will call you if there are any questions.

**Email: [contactus@essenceofthetree.com](mailto:contactus@essenceofthetree.com)** Email will be answered within 48 hours except at the busiest times of the year. We are often asked to identify trees and help with diagnosis and treatment of problems. Please include as much information as possible so we can best assist you.

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We look forward to hearing from you.

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