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The Best of Every Season

Crimson Sunset® Maple

Acer 'JFS-KW202'

Height: 40 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Group/Class: Sunset Series

Description:

A lovely upright and compact ornamental tree with great form, producing deep purple summer foliage that matures to maroon-crimson in fall; a great accent tree for smaller home landscapes because of its narrow form

Ornamental Features

Crimson Sunset Maple is primarily valued in the landscape for its decidedly oval form. It has attractive deep purple deciduous foliage. The lobed palmate leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of crimson and burgundy in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Crimson Sunset Maple is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

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

Crimson Sunset Maple is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening



Crimson Sunset Maple
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Crimson Sunset Maple foliage
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Planting & Growing

Crimson Sunset Maple will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.