

## Autumn Blaze Maple



### *Acer x freemanii* ~ Autumn Blaze Maple

The Autumn Blaze Maple, one of our most requested container and B&B trees, is widely used for both commercial and residential plantings alike. What is it that attracts people to this tree? Is it the clean look of the smooth, gray bark, the nice branch structure, or is it the outstanding fall color? We at Jayker consider the Autumn Blaze to be a three-season tree based upon its uniform winter habit, attractive apple-green summer leaves, and jay-dropping fall color.

This fantastic shade tree is a hybrid between the Red and Silver Maple. The speedy growth and unique leaf shape comes from the Silver Maple, and the attractive bark and fall color comes from the Red Maple, the best traits of both parents. A typical Autumn Blaze will quickly achieve 50' high by 40' wide at maturity and unlike its Red Maple parent, this offspring will grow just fine in most soils and will not become chloritic. (cont. on back page)

## Maple Reference Guide

### *Acer spp.*

Description	Size	Growth rate	Habit	Leaf color	Zone
<i>x freemanii</i>					
'Autumn Blaze'	50' H x 40' W	Rapid	Upright oval	Brilliant orange-red in fall	4
'Armstrong'	45' H x 15' W	Rapid	Columnar	Brilliant orange-red in fall	4
<i>ginnala</i>					
'Embers'	20' H x 20' W	Medium-fast	Rounded (Multi)	Striking orange-red	2
<i>glabrum</i>					
'Rocky Mountain'	30' H x 20' W	Medium	Oval-rounded (multi)	Medium green to red-orange	4
<i>grandidentatum</i>					
'Big Tooth'	25' H x 15' W	Slow	Broadly oval	Bright red and gold in fall	3
<i>negundo</i>					
'Sensation'	35' H x 30' W	Rapid	Broadly rounded	Light green w/ orange & yellow	3
<i>platanoides</i>					
'Crimson King'	35' H x 30' W	Medium-fast	Broadly rounded	Deep maroon to bronze	4
'Crimson Sentry'	25' H x 15' W	Medium	Densely oval (columnar)	Deep maroon to bronze	4
'Deborah'	50' H x 45' W	Medium	Broadly rounded	Deep red new growth to light green	4
'Emerald Lustre'	30' H x 20' W	Medium	Upright rounded	Reddish new growth to green	3
'Emerald Queen'	50' H x 40' W	Medium	Upright oval	Reddish new growth to nice green	4
'Fairview'	45' H x 35' W	Medium	Upright oval	Purple new growth to bronze	4
'Parkway'	40' H x 25' W	Medium	Upright oval	Dark green to yellow	3
'Royal Red'	50' H x 40' W	Medium	Oval	Deep purple to bronze	4
'Superform'	50' H x 45' W	Rapid	Broadly oval	Dark green to yellow	4
<i>rubrum</i>					
'Red Sunset'	50' H x 40' W	Medium-fast	Upright oval	Excellent red-orange in fall	4
<i>saccharinum</i>					
'Silver'	90' H x 50' W	Rapid	Oval to vase-shaped	Medium green & silver underside	3
<i>truncatum</i>					
'Norwegian Sunset'	35' H x 25' W	Slow	Upright oval	Glossy green to yellow-orange in fall	4
'Pacific Sunset'	30' H x 25' W	Slow	Upright rounded	Glossy green to yellow-orange in fall	4

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### Getting To Know Jayker Federated Nurseries



**Karen Courtemanche ~ ~ ~ Accounting Department**  
Karen was born and raised in San Jose, California. She moved to Meridian, Idaho with her husband Pete in 2006 to be closer to her family and to be able to live in a great place to raise their future family. Karen and Pete have a daughter Addison (19 months old) who is the light of their lives. Karen assists the accounting manager with accounts receivable, credit applications and collections. Karen’s quirky attitude and playfulness constantly keeps us all on our toes. You never know when she will play a practical joke on you!

- Favorite Plant – Peonies: Karen loves to display the beautiful blooms in her windowsills at home and work.
- Hobbies – Playing at the park with Addison, vegetable gardening and reading.
- Favorite Place in Idaho – The McCall Area, Karen and her family love attending the Winter Carnival (ice sculptures, parade, and great family fun).

### Upcoming Events

- January 8 – Montana Nursery Trade Show, Billings
- January 14 – Pro Green Expo Denver, Colorado
- January 22 – Idaho Horticulture Show, Boise, Idaho
- January 26 – Utah Green Industry Conference & Trade Show, Sandy, Utah
- February 18 – Northwest Flower & Garden Show, Seattle, Wa
- March 18 – San Francisco Flower & Garden Show, San Francisco

**Autumn Blaze Maple (cont.)**  
As an additional testament to its versatility, in 2004 the Society of Municipal Arborists selected the Autumn Blaze Maple as their Urban Tree of the Year. If one needs any more reasons to become better acquainted with this tree, come on down to the nursery because we would absolutely love to show it to you!

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