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# Green Column Black Maple Acer nigrum 'Green Column'

Height: 70 feet Spread: 30 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4

## **Description:**

This is a close relative of the sugar maple, sharing the attributes of good yellow to orange fall color and a narrower habit of growth; quite adaptable to tough growing conditions; a perfect shade tree for narrower landscape areas

#### **Ornamental Features**

Green Column Black Maple has dark green deciduous foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The lobed leaves turn outstanding shades of yellow and orange in the fall. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up.

# **Landscape Attributes**

Green Column Black Maple is a dense 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.

Green Column Black Maple is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade



Green Column Black Maple
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Green Column Black Maple in fall Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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## **Planting & Growing**

Green Column Black Maple will grow to be about 70 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.