

Botanical name

ACER X FREEMANII 'JEFFERSRED'

Autumn Blaze Freeman Maple

Common name

DESCRIPTION

Typical height:
8-10 metres

Typical width:
8-10 metres

Growth rate:
Fast

Typical form:
Upright oval form with ascending branches

CHARACTERISTICS

- Large deciduous tree.
- Medium green leaves are deeply cut with five pointed lobes.
- The foliage turns orange-red to scarlet-red colour in autumn.
- Silver-grey, generally smooth bark.

ORIGIN

Cultivar of hybrid between *A.saccharinum* x *A.rubrum*

TOLERANCES

- Tolerant of extended dry periods when established and also periodic waterlogging.

FACTS AND TRIVIA

A cultivar developed from two species of maple, *Acer rubrum* the Red Maple and *A. saccharinum*, the Silver Maple. The cross yields both the strong branch attachment of the red maple (not so much the case with 'Autumn Blaze'), and fast growth rate of the silver maple. Freeman's maple is also less susceptible to chlorosis symptoms than the red or silver maples. Freeman's maple offers a number of cultivars, and these are more commonly planted than the species.



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