



Sensation Boxelder

Acer negundo 'Sensation'

Height: 35 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Other Names: Manitoba Maple

Description:

A fast-growing cultivar selected for its shapely growth habit and striking fall color, which can vary from yellows to reds. Naturally boxelder beetle resistant, this male variety does not have seeds. Loves a wet spring and a dry summer

Ornamental Features

Sensation Boxelder has light green deciduous foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The compound leaves turn an outstanding antique red in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Sensation Boxelder is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sensation Boxelder is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Windbreaks and Shelterbelts



Sensation Boxelder foliage
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Planting & Growing

Sensation Boxelder will grow to be about 35 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 7 feet from 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 fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It is an amazingly adaptable plant, tolerating both dry conditions and even some standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.