



Great Trees for Fall Color

Autumn Purple™ Ash (*Fraxinus americana* Autumn Purple™) - This excellent but not well known selection of our local native is fast growing to 40 feet with a very symmetrical cone to oval shape. Dark green foliage deepens to rich burgundy wine in late September. Leaves brighten to russet red before falling. Disease and pest free.

Carolina Silverbell (*Halesia caroliniana*) - Yellow fall color. White bell-shaped flowers in spring. Plant in part shade. Grows to 30'-40' tall and 20'-35' wide. Pest resistant.

Chinese Pistache (*Pistacia chinensis*) - Excellent street tree that is tolerant of heat, drought, and pollution. Attractive fine-textured foliage is medium to light green during the growing season which then turns beautiful glowing shades of persimmon, gold, and scarlet. Grows to 40-50 feet. Plant in full sun.

Crapemyrtle (*Lagerstroemia* cvs.) - Tough, heat and drought tolerant trees and shrubs that bloom over a long period in summer and many of which offer lovely fall color. Grow to 10'-25' tall depending on cultivar. Plant in full sun.

Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*) - Glowing red and crimson in fall. White, pink, or red spring flowers. Plant in sun to part shade. Grows to 20'-30' tall and wide.

Japanese Maple (*Acer palmatum*) - Fall color varies by cultivar. Airy and delicate form. Plant in filtered shade to morning sun. Generally, grows to 20', but can vary considerably by cultivar. Disease resistant.

Japanese Stewartia (*Stewartia pseudocamellia*) - Yellow, red to reddish purple fall color. White flowers in summer. Showy exfoliating bark provides winter interest. Plant in light shade. Grows 20'-40' tall.

Maidenhair Tree (*Ginkgo biloba*) - Glowing yellow-gold fall color. Tolerant of pollution, heat, and variable soil pH. Good street or lawn tree. Plant in full sun. Grows to 40'-80' tall and 20'-40' wide. Pest & disease resistant.

Persian Parrotia (*Parrotia persica*) - Great fall color changing from golden yellow to orange to scarlet. Generally, pest free. Withstands drought, heat, wind, and cold. Plant in sun to part shade. Grows to 20'-40' tall and 15'-30' wide.

Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*) - Russet red fall color. Tolerates poor drainage. Plant in sun. Grows to 60'-70' tall and wide.

Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) - Orange-red to scarlet in fall. The following are superior selections for the South: 'Autumn Blaze', 'Autumn Flame', 'October Glory'. Plant in sun. Grows to 40'-60' tall and wide.

Serviceberry (*Amelanchier arborea*) - Fiery red fall foliage. Clusters of white or pinkish flowers in spring followed by blueberry flavored edible berries. 'Autumn Brilliance' is a good choice. Plant in sun or shade. Grows to 15'-35' tall. Width varies.

Sweet Gum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*) - Purple, yellow, or red in fall. Choose named selection or buy in fall as fall foliage can be variable. Good park or street tree. 'Rotundiloba' is a fruitless selection.

Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*) - Brilliant scarlet, yellow, or orange fall color. Choose named selection or buy in fall as fall color can be variable. Plant in sun. Grows to 60' tall and 40' wide.

