## **Stonegate Gardens**

### Morden Littleleaf Linden

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## Morden Littleleaf Linden Tilia cordata 'Morden'

Height: 30 feet Spread: 20 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Other Names: Lime, Smallleaf Lime

#### **Description:**

One of the hardiest cultivars of this species, forms a tight pyramid throughout life, with highly fragrant yellow flowers in early summer when few trees bloom; excellent size for small properties or for use as a street tree



Morden Littleleaf Linden
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

Morden Littleleaf Linden is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It features subtle clusters of fragrant yellow flowers with tan bracts hanging below the branches in early summer. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The heart-shaped leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Morden Littleleaf Linden is a deciduous tree with a strong central leader and a distinctive and refined pyramidal 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 is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Morden Littleleaf Linden is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

#### **Planting & Growing**

Morden Littleleaf Linden will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.

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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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.