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Cercidiphyllum japonicum 'Pendulum'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 30 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

A graceful tree with cascading, almost weeping branchlets that hang from a pyramidal shape, good fall color; somewhat smaller than the species, a great choice for an accent tree in almost any landscape

Ornamental Features

Weeping Katsura Tree is primarily valued in the landscape for its highly ornamental weeping form. It has bluish-green deciduous foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The heart-shaped leaves turn an outstanding orange in the fall. The shaggy brown bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Weeping Katsura Tree is a dense deciduous tree with a rounded form and gracefully weeping branches. 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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Weeping Katsura Tree is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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Planting & Growing

Weeping Katsura Tree will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.



Weeping Katsura Tree
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Weeping Katsura Tree foliage
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This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.