



Szechaun Elm
Ulmus szechuanica

Height: 40 feet

Spread: 35 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

A little known but worthy shade tree with an upright and spreading habit of growth; this is a smaller, more compact elm tree than many others, making it idea for the average home landscape, resistant to Dutch Elm Disease

Ornamental Features

Szechaun Elm has attractive dark green deciduous foliage which emerges red in spring on a tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. The serrated pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding yellow in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Szechaun Elm is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

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.

Szechaun Elm is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

Planting & Growing

Szechaun Elm will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 35 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 5 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 years or more.

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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.



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