



## Cultivar

<i>Latin Name</i>	Description
<b>Aoyagi</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 15'-20'. 'Aoyagi' means "green coral" and refers to the color of the branches and stems. After leaf drop the stem color intensifies and makes a dramatic winter statement. Leaves are light green that change to gold in fall.
<b>Arakawa</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. 'Arakawa' translates to rough bark and that perfectly describes the most outstanding feature of this interesting cultivar. It takes 3-5 years for the bark to begin to develop its texture, but once it begins to develop it soon becomes an amazing site. The leaves of the new growth emerge with a yellow tint turning green as summer arrives before turning beautiful tones of red, orange or yellow in fall.
<b>Autumn Moon</b> <i>Acer shirasawanum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. New growth unfurls yellow to burnt orange, with underlying tones ranging from orange, salmon and chartreuse for the remainder of the season. Fall foliage is a dazzling display of gold to red.
<b>Beni Kawa</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. An upright vase shaped form of coral bark maple, the winter bark color is a more intense red than what you see on 'Sango kaku'. Fall color ranges from yellow to orange. The foliage would like a little break from the summer sun in hotter climates, but the more winter sun the tree gets the more intense the bark color will be.
<b>Bloodgood</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 15'-20'. Robust upright tree with large, deep red leaves that push bright red in the spring. Leaves mature to a deep burgundy and retain their color well into summer. Crimson fall color and winged seedpods add extra interest to this popular variety. 'Bloodgood' was given the Royal Horticultural Society Award of Merit in 1993.
<b>Butterfly</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. This vase shaped tree has small, dainty, blue-green and white variegated leaves that have a light tinge of pink along the edges in spring. Fall color is a stunning magenta pink.
<b>Crimson Queen</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 4'-6'. Sculptural, cascading branches and finely dissected leaves make this variety one of the finest of the deep red laceleaves. Foliage emerges bright crimson, deepens to burgundy in summer and finishes with a brilliant scarlet in fall. Staking will make the tree grow taller.
<b>Dancing Peacock Full Moon Maple</b> <i>Acer japonicum 'Aconitifolium'</i>	Height: 10'-15'. A low branched small garden tree with deeply cut leaves that are dark green in the summer. Fall foliage is an intense array of colors ranging from brilliant scarlet shading to purple. The red winged seed pods also contribute to the fall show.
<b>Dragon Tears™ Japanese Maple</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. A Japanese Maple that has strong horizontal branching with unique, pendulous branch tips. Leaves emerge crimson red, maturing to burgundy red and transitioning to rusty red in the fall.
<b>Emerald Lace</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. 'Emerald Lace' has a vigorous, mound-forming, growth habit. The arching branches bear finely cut, bright green leaves that turn to shades of red in autumn. Small, pendent clusters of tiny, reddish-purple flowers in spring are followed by red-winged fruit in summer.
<b>Emperor 1</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 15'-20'. Attractive dark red foliage turns brilliant scarlet in fall. Interesting blackish red bark. Good choice for colder climates than most Japanese Maples since leaf buds open later in spring, avoiding danger of late frosts.
<b>Ever Red</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. New spring shoots are covered with fine silvery hairs that give the new foliage a gray color. As the leaves mature they turn a deep rich red. Fall color is a bright crimson.
<b>Fireglow</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Spring foliage is an intense purple-red that retains its red color into the hot summer conditions. The fall foliage is scarlet and crimson. One of the best red leaved upright Japanese maples for our area.
<b>Hana Matoi</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 3'-4'. Finely dissected green leaves are streaked with white, pink and red in the spring. In the summer most of the leaves age to a green with occasional striping and transform to a fire red in the fall. This is a slow growing dwarf cultivar.

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<b>Inaba Shidare aka Red Select</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. This dissectum has a more upright, cascading growth habit. The leaves come out purple red in the spring and retain the red color well in the summer. In the fall they turn a crimson color. Black branches add winter interest. Also referred to as 'Red Select' or 'Select Red'.
<b>Kamagata</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 4'-6'. Also known as 'Eagle's Claw' Japanese Maple, this maple has a short bushy growth habit that makes it suitable for smaller gardens or container planting. Small, green spring leaves are decorated with red margins turning to light green in the summertime. Fall foliage is yellow with a touch of orange and red.
<b>Katsura</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. One of the first Japanese maples to leaf out in spring. New growth is orange turning to pale yellow green in summer. Fall color is a brilliant gold to orange.
<b>Manyo no sato</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 4'-6'. Spring foliage emerges with random chartreuse and purple variegation appearing on irregular shaped leaves. In the summer, the purple ages to green resulting in a two tone green effect. Fall brings on shades of orange and purple to the leaves.
<b>Mikawa Yatsubusa</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 3'-4'. Very dwarf green maple with extremely short internodes. Leaves are so close together that they appear as shingles. Excellent red and yellow fall color. One of the best for bonsai or patio.
<b>Omure Yama</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Leaves are deeply divided, long and pendulous and emerge with a light green color in spring, giving this cultivar a weeping willow appearance. In summer the leaves of 'Omureyama' darken slightly to a nice deep green. Fall colors are a spectacular gold, orange to fiery scarlet.
<b>Orange Flame</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. An upright grower with deeply lobed leaves. New spring foliage emerges orange and yellow, changing to a light green by early summer. Fall color is a display of red, orange and gold. An added bonus is that the winter bark color is also orange on newer growth.
<b>Orangeola</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. 'Orangeola' is best known for its orange color. The new foliage emerges in the spring with a red to orange cast to the leaves. Summer foliage takes on more of a greenish-purple hue. Fall color turns red and then finally to orange before the leaves drop. Unlike most dissectums 'Orangeola tends to grow a little higher than it does wide.
<b>Osakazuki</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Large green leaves on a fast and sturdy growing plant with green bark. Known for its brilliant crimson-red fall color which can also last longer than other Japanese maples.
<b>Oshio Beni</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Bright, orange-red, spring foliage softens into green with bronzed reddish overtones in summer. In fall, the medium-sized leaves become brick red and then luminescent scarlet. This mid-sized, upright maple is well-branched with a spreading canopy.
<b>Red Dragon</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 4'-6'. Bright-red new growth turns dark maroon and maintains its color during the hot summer months. In fall, flaming scarlet foliage marks the end of the growing season. 'Red Dragon' has the finest scaffolding of all the cutleaf maples, growing slowly into a beautiful, cascading mound.
<b>Sango Kaku</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 15'-20'. Widely known as the Coral Bark Maple, this cultivar has flaming, coral-red bark that stands out against the winter landscape. Leaves emerge in the spring with a flush of yellow-orange new growth and turn to a soft green for summer. Fall color is a beautiful gold.
<b>Seiryu</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. 'Seiryu' is an upright, vase-shaped form of a laceleaf or cutleaf japanese maple. Leaves are a bright green and finely dissected, giving the tree a lacey appearance. Fall foliage turns an interesting purple-brown then brilliant red.
<b>Shaina</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. A newer selection displaying a dwarf, compact form. Bright red new growth matures to a maroon-red in late spring. Fall foliage is a bright red. This cultivar is slow growing and makes a great choice for smaller gardens.
<b>Sharp's Pygmy</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 3'-4'. Acer palmatum 'Sharp's Pygmy' was originally discovered as a naturally compact seedling. The dense, rounded shrub is covered with small, green, palmate leaves with coarse margins from spring through summer; in fall, dramatic red leaves give way to a great branch structure for winter. Site this beauty where it can be seen up-close and personal in the container, courtyard, patio bed or in bonsai culture.
<b>Shin deshojo</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. The astonishing spring color of this small, dense tree starts out intensely dark, fuchsia-pink and changes to brilliant crimson-scarlet. In mid-summer, the color calms to pleasing green with red-orange margins. Then fall extends the colorful show with a blend of orange and yellow.
<b>Shirazz aka Gwen's Rose Delight</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Unique in leaf color with lovely pinks, greens & creamy-white with new growth a striking crimson-pink. Vigorous upright grower at first, then weeping habit as it matures. Autumn tones of fiery-red.

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<b>Shishigashira</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. Heavily curled green leaves give an interesting texture to this compact, shrubby tree. Foliage becomes purple-red with orange-red patterns in fall. Popular for bonsai, as a container subject and in small gardens. Sometimes called Lion's Head Maple.
<b>Tamukeyama</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 8'-10'. Long, cascading branches produce spring foliage that is bright crimson. The deeply cut and dissected purple-red foliage throughout the summer changes to bright red in fall.
<b>Trompenburg</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 15'-20'. Distinct dragon paw shaped leaves emerge red, maturing to deep burgundy and finally a brilliant crimson in fall. 'Trompenburg' has an upright, vase shaped growth habit.
<b>Tsukushi Gata</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. Unique almost black spring leaves that have contrasting lime green veins. The leaves slowly age to a dark green into summer and brighten up again in the fall with a beautiful scarlet red.
<b>Ukigumo</b> <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Height: 10'-15'. Known as the Floating Cloud Maple, this highly variegated cultivar displays striking colors on deeply cut foliage. In spring the bright green and pink leaves are splashed with bright white highlights. In fall the foliage color ranges from apricot to a fiery red. A truly unique cultivar to add to your collection.
<b>Viridis aka Green Lace</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. This laceleaf japanese maple has a cascading, mound-shaped growth habit. Leaves are bright green and finely dissected. Fall color is a blend of delightful golden hues with an occasional splash of crimson.
<b>Waterfall</b> <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Height: 6'-8'. This improved selection makes an extremely attractive garden or patio tree. It displays beautifully cascading branches with large, finely cut green leaves and a mixture of golden yellow, bright orange and crimson fall colors.

**Recommended Reading:** [Japanese Maples](#) by J.D. Vertrees