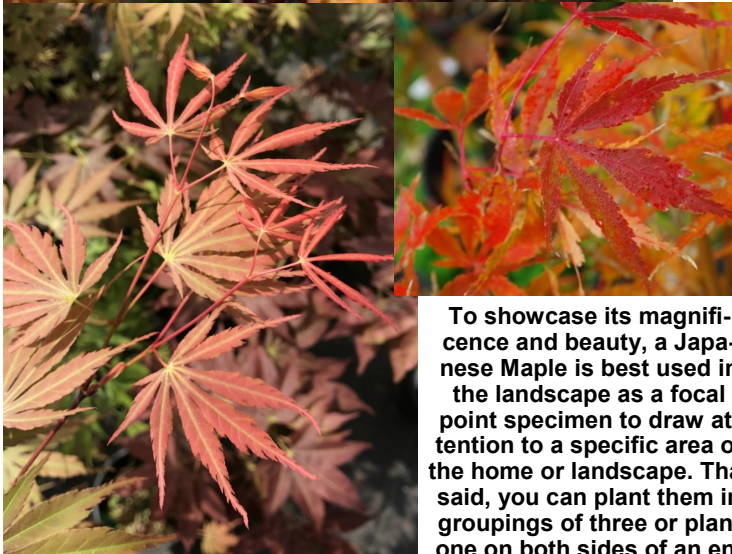


Orange Flame Japanese Maple



To showcase its magnificence and beauty, a Japanese Maple is best used in the landscape as a focal point specimen to draw attention to a specific area of the home or landscape. That said, you can plant them in groupings of three or plant one on both sides of an entryway.

Acer palmatum 'Orange Flame'

- **Use:** This is an upright, strong grower, with a seven-lobed dissectum leaf form and orange winter bark color on newer growth. New leaves emerge orange and turn green in summer, with orange petioles. New growth in summer looks like orange candles against the mature leaves.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers morning sun and afternoon shade in the South. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Will not tolerate soggy or extremely dry soil.
- **Growth:** Mature at 15-20' tall by 20' wide. Growth habit is variable from upright rounded, horizontal-vedged, or weeping pendulous, depending upon cultivar, and often becoming densely twiggy with age.
- **Hardiness:** 5-8, medium sized tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. In spring its new leaves emerge bright orange turning a pleasant light green in late spring or early summer. In summer the second flush of new leaves emerge a brilliant flaming orange against the mature light green leaves. Fall invites a wonderful combination of colors including oranges, reds, and yellows. If that's not enough orange, the bark of the newer branching turns orange during winter!
- **Flower:** Clusters of red to purplish inflorescences in late May and early June are often hidden by the foliage.

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