

Summer Gold Japanese Maple



Acer palmatum 'Summer Gold'

- **Use:** Adorned with bright golden-yellow leaves that hold their stunning color throughout the summer. The leaves don't burn in full sun and the heat and humidity here in our north-central Georgia gardens don't phase it. Leaves emerge light green with an orange cast in the spring turning to golden yellow in summer and then finally an even brighter yellow in the fall.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers morning sun with a little afternoon shade in the South to prevent leaf scald in late summer. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Will not tolerate soggy or extremely dry soil.
- **Growth:** Slow growing; reaches 6 to 8ft. tall and wide in 10 years.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6a-9b, medium sized tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Brightens to gold as the summer progresses providing a dynamic contrast with both red and green maples. Said to be one of the more burn resistant of the golden leaf types.
- **Flower:** An abundance of flowers each spring that produce a multitude of seeds – called 'samaras'. The samaras hang down as little ornaments which adds to the overall look of this beautiful maple.