Miyabe Maple

Acer miyabei



Miyabe Maple
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Height: 40 feet

Spread: 40 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

An impressive small accent or shade tree with a neat, rounded habit of growth and variable fall color, a rare plant that's a real find if you can get your hands on one; fairly adaptable, a good clean choice for busy areas

Ornamental Features

Miyabe Maple is primarily valued in the landscape for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The lobed leaves turn buttery yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Miyabe Maple is a dense deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. 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 should only be pruned in summer after the leaves have fully developed, as it may 'bleed' sap if pruned in late winter or early spring. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Miyabe Maple is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Miyabe Maple will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 40 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.