Goshiki Variegated Zelkova

Zelkova serrata 'Goshiki'

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: Japanese Zelkova

Description:

A smaller shade tree with a vase shaped habit that will become more rounded with age; showy leaves are splashed and streaked with white, turning copper-burgundy in fall; quite hardy, with low maintenance; an excellent choice for street plantings

Ornamental Features

Goshiki Variegated Zelkova has white-variegated forest green foliage on a tree with a round habit of growth. The serrated pointy leaves turn an outstanding coppery-bronze in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Goshiki Variegated Zelkova is a deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. 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.

Goshiki Variegated Zelkova is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



Goshiki Variegated Zelkova
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Goshiki Variegated Zelkova foliage
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Planting & Growing

Goshiki Variegated Zelkova will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.