Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia

Magnolia x wieseneri 'Aashild Kalleberg'



Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia flowers
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Height: 20 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5

Description:

An ideal accent tree for home landscapes, features extremely fragrant, star-shaped pure white flowers in early spring; upright and single-stemmed with neat foliage; one of the hardiest, although flowers are occasionally damaged by late spring frosts

Ornamental Features

Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia is bathed in stunning fragrant white star-shaped flowers at the ends of the branches from early to mid spring before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn coppery-bronze in fall. The fruits are showy pink pods displayed in early fall.

Landscape Attributes

Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia is a dense deciduous tree with a shapely oval 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 after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Aashild Kalleberg Magnolia will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under 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 requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth, but will die in standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.