Harlequin Green Ash

Fraxinus pennsylvanica 'Harlequin'



Harlequin Green Ash foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Red Ash

Description:

A stunning accent tree for smaller yards and properties, featuring extremely attractive white variegated foliage throughout the summer; seedless, low maintenance and adaptable to a wide range of growing conditions, less vigorous than the species

Ornamental Features

Harlequin Green Ash has attractive white-variegated grayish green foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The compound leaves are highly ornamental and turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Harlequin Green Ash is a 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 tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, 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. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects

Harlequin Green Ash is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Harlequin Green Ash will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 5 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 is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.