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Regal Elm Ulmus 'Regal'

Height: 60 feet Spread: 30 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

A large upright shade tree with a pyramidal to upright oval form, tends to maintain a strong central trunk, good branching habit, minimal fall color; very resistant to Dutch Elm Disease, makes a fine replacement for the American elm

Ornamental Features

Regal Elm has forest green deciduous foliage on a tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. The serrated pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Regal Elm is a deciduous tree with a strong central leader and an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Regal Elm is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

Planting & Growing

Regal Elm will grow to be about 60 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 7 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 90 years or more.



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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 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.