

Orange Glow Flowering Maple



Orange Glow Flowering Maple *Abutilon 'Orange Glow'*

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 7 feet

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Other Names: Parlor Maple

Description:

This variety produces stunning, bell-shaped orange blooms year round, with the largest flush in spring through summer; an erect, bushy shrub that may be shaped into a small tree; a perfect container plant; attracts hummingbirds

Ornamental Features

Orange Glow Flowering Maple features showy orange bell-shaped flowers with chartreuse eyes and buttery yellow calyces at the ends of the branches from early spring to mid fall. Its serrated lobed leaves emerge light green in spring, turning forest green in colour with distinctive buttery yellow spots the rest of the year.

Landscape Attributes

Orange Glow Flowering Maple is a multi-stemmed evergreen perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Orange Glow Flowering Maple is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



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flowers
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Planting & Growing

Orange Glow Flowering Maple will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. Although it is technically a woody plant, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as a perennial in our climate if planted outdoors over the winter, usually regrowing from its base (crown) the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Orange Glow Flowering Maple is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.