



## PLANT FINDER



### **Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple** *Acer palmatum 'Beni Schichihenge'*

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 12 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 6a

#### **Description:**

This beautiful small accent tree features dazzling summer foliage of blue-green with cream and rose variegation and orange undertones for an explosion of color, also great fall color; Japanese maples are the most coveted of all small landscape trees

#### **Ornamental Features**

Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has attractive hot pink-variegated bluish-green foliage with hints of creamy white. The small lobed palmate leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of orange and gold in the fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening

#### **Planting & Growing**

Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.



*Beni Schichihenge Japanese Maple foliage*  
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This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. You may want to keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.