

Vitex Negundo, Nirgundi (Green) - Plant



Acer negundo

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Description Easily grown in average, medium to wet soil in full sun. Tolerates a wide range of soils including poor dry ones. Intolerant of shade.

Common name: Acer negundo

Color: Purple

Bloom time: March to April

Height: 30.00 to 50.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

There is an old saying that states "The best time to plant a tree is yesterday". If that didn't happen, then the ideal planting time is now! If you plant in the fall you take advantage of the new root growth that occurs during the dormant season.

Unlike the tops of the maple that go dormant and cease growth for the winter, roots of maples continue to grow throughout the fall and early winter months if temperatures are not below freezing.

Fall planting also allows the carbohydrates that are produced during the summer to be directed to root growth since there is little demand from the top. If you are planting in spring try to avoid disturbing any plant parts that recently have broken bud or are producing new, soft growth.

Sunlight: Full sun

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium to wet

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- Watering: A Japanese Maple in a Bonsai pot must be watered daily in most cases during the growth season, maybe even several times a day during the hottest days, if the soil is well-drained and the tree healthy and vigorous.
- Use water deficient in lime as the Japanese Maple prefers a neutral or slightly acid pH-value.
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Feeding: Especially for mature Japanese Maple Bonsai the use of solid organic fertilizers is well-proven, as it takes effect slowly and gently and generally contains all the required micronutrients.

- Follow the dosage instructions carefully.
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Special Feature:

Could be used as a shade tree. Generally recommended only for difficult corners of the landscape where other trees of superior ornamental value will not grow or in cold northern climates such as North Dakota where many deciduous shade trees are hard to grow.

Use

Medicinal use:

- It is an effective herbal medicine with proven therapeutic value.
- Chaste tree has been clinically tested to be effective in the treatment of colds, flu, asthma and pharyngitis.
- Studies have shown that it can prevent the body's production of leukotrienes which are released during an asthma attack.
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- Chaste tree contains Chrysophenol D, a substance with anti-histamine properties and muscle relaxant.
- The leaves, flowers, seeds and root of Chaste tree can all be used as herbal medicine.
- A decoction is made by boiling the parts of the plant and taken orally.
- Today, Chaste tree is available in capsule form and syrup for cough.

Ornamental use:

- The plant is used for ornamental purpose.

Note:

for medicinal use, please consult appropriate doctor before use.

Reference:

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