

Best Trees for Fall Color

**Acer rubrum* 'October Glory' - Red to red/purple

'Red Sunset' - Orange/red to red

These are "Red Maples" because of their consistent hues in autumn.

**Acer saccharum* 'Fall Fiesta' - Yellow, orange and scarlet

This is a selected form of the "Sugar Maple", with sweet fall color.

**Acer x freemanii* 'Autumn Blaze' - Reliable orange-red leaves. This is a cross between the red maple, and the sugar maple.

**Aesculus glabra* - Yellow, sometimes with orange and red. "Ohio Buckeye".

**Amelanchier* varieties - Our native "Serviceberry" trees have great fall color in all the selections, ranging from yellow to orange/red.

**Ginkgo biloba* - Consistent yellow leaves. The variety "Autumn Gold" has been selected for its brighter yellow-gold color.

**Liquidambar styraciflua* - The native "Sweetgum" is beautiful in all seasons, but in fall sports yellow, orange and red shades mixed with deep purple.

**Metasequoia glyptostroboides* - The "Dawn Redwood" has ferny leaves of yellow, bronze, pink, apricot and copper in autumn.

**Nyssa sylvatica* - Our spectacular "Black Gum" glows bright scarlet red mixed with orange, yellow, and purple.

**Oxydendrum arboreum* - The native "Sourwood" has variable fall color of red, purple, and bright yellow.

**Pyrus calleryana* - Ornamental pear trees can be red in the variety 'Autumn Blaze', or bronzy red/purple in 'Cleveland Select'.

**Quercus* species with the best fall color are *acutissima* (yellow); *alba* (deep purple); *coccinea* (bright red); *palustris* (deep red/purple), and *rubra* (crimson red).

**Styrax japonica* - Fall color is a combined yellow, orange, or red.

**Taxodium distichum* - The "Bald Cypress", with russet-red fall color.

**Ulmus americana* 'Princeton' - The return of the "American Elm", with fall color of russet red and yellow. *Ulmus parvifolia*, the "Chinese Elm", has leaves of yellow to red/purple in fall.

**Zelkova serrata* 'Village Green' - This adaptable tree has variable fall colors of yellow/orange to red/purple and brown.