



Acer xfreemanii 'Armstrong'



Height	10 -15 m
Crown	columnar, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	no particulars
Leaf	3/5 lobes, green, 10 -20 cm
Autumn colour	orange, red
Flowers	flower corymbs, red, March/April
Fruits	none, fruitless cultivar
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	not too limy
Paving	tolerates paving
Winter hardiness zone	4 (-34,4 to -28,9 °C)
Wind resistance	very good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, valuable for butterflies
Application	avenues and broad streets, narrow streets, parks, squares, cemeteries, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Scanlon Nurseries, Ohio, USA, 1951
Synonyms	Acer rubrum 'Armstrong'

This cultivar originated in the USA in 1951 and until recently was considered to belong to *A. rubrum*. Recent studies reveal that 'Armstrong' came into being from a crossing between *A. rubrum* and *A. saccharinum* and therefore belongs to the hybrid *Acer x freemanii*. This hybrid was not only created by man, for it also grows in the wild in the USA. The green leaves have 3 to 5 lobes. Their under surface is grey-green. In our country the beautiful orange-red autumn colour can only be seen after a hot summer. It roots widely with a dense branching. 'Armstrong' requires a not too limy soil. The tree can be used well in hard surfaces, which renders it very suitable to be used in narrow streets and avenues.