



Acer capillipes



Height	5 - 8 (12) m
Crown	vase shaped, half open: as a shrub with overhanging branches, light, open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	conspicuously grey-white striped
Leaf	3/5 lobes, green, 6 - 12 cm long
Autumn colour	orange, red
Flowers	6 - 12 cm long racemes, green-white, May
Fruits	single-seeded, winged, always in pairs
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	lightly acid soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), valuable for butterflies
Application	parks, tree containers, cemeteries, roof gardens, large gardens, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Japan

Very beautiful small tree with the striking feature of the conspicuously grey-white striped bark. This is best visible when juvenile. When the trunk grows thicker this remarkable feature fades gradually. The young twigs are of a shiny red. The dark green leaves have three pointed lobes. In autumn they turn from orange-red to deep red. The flowers grow in long, pendent racemes, the winged seeds turn from light green to red-brown. A. capillipes has a half open, wide, vase shaped crown. The plant does not like a very windy site. A. capillipes likes a lightly acid soil. The plant roots shallow with a strongly branching root system. This tree of Japanese origin was imported to the west by Charles Sargent in 1892. A. capillipes is best used as a solitary in gardens and parks.