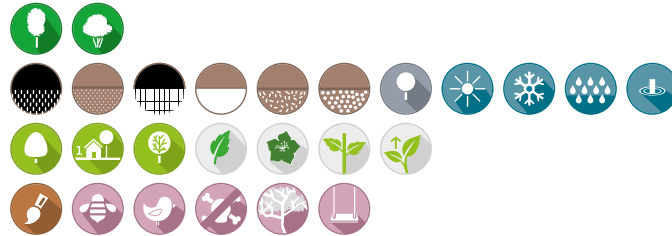




Nyssa sylvatica 'Wisley Bonfire'



Height	10 - 15 m
Crown	wide ovoid, half-open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	twigs greenish brown, bark dark grey, grooved
Leaf	oval to obovate, glossy dark green, 6 - 13 cm
Autumn colour	yellow, orange, red
Flowers	inconspicuous, greenish, April/May
Fruits	ovoid drupe, dark blue, Ø 0.9 - 1.5 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	prefers loamy soil, not too dry
Soil moisture	suitable for wet soil, withstand short flood
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), provides food for birds
Application	parks, tree containers, cemeteries, roof gardens, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Jim Gardiner, RHS Garden Wisley, Wisley England, 1995

Medium-size tree with a broad ovoid crown 10 to 15 m tall. When mature the branches arch strongly so that the crown becomes broader and almost round. 'Wisley Bonfire' has a strikingly regular crown shape. The glossy dark green leaves are oval to obovate and a fraction larger than the species. The leaves are glossy dark green in summer, turning yellow, orange and radiant red over several weeks in autumn. The autumn colours may vary depending on the soil type in which the tree stands. The root growth is deep making transplantation difficult. *N. sylvatica* grows naturally in marshy sites but it can also thrive well in less moist places.