Acer davidii subsp. grosseri

**Height**
circa 10 m

**Crown**
oval to round, light, open crown, capricious growing

**Bark and branches**
twigs purple with grey-white longitudinal stripes

**Leaf**
usually 3-lobed, oval triangular, circa 9 cm

**Autumn colour**
orange, red

**Flowers**
pendent racemes, light yellow, May

**Fruits**
single-seeded, single-winged, light green

**Spines/thorns**
None

**Toxicity**
usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock

**Soil type**
all soils

**Paving**
tolerates no paving

**Winter hardiness zone**
5 (-28.8 to -23.4 °C)

**Wind resistance**
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**
tree containers, roof gardens, small gardens, patio gardens

**Shape**
clearstem tree, multi-stem tree

**Origin**
Northern and Central China

**Synonyms**
Acer grosseri

This Snake Bark maple forms a large multi-stemmed shrub to a small tree to a maximum height of circa 10 m. The crown is oval to round with decorative overhanging branches. The twigs usually have a slightly more greenish hue and are a little lighter than those of A. davidii. Therefore the stripes are less prominent. The usually 3-lobed leaves may sometimes be almost without lobes. The margin of the leaf is doubly serrated. The flowers are monoecious: female and male flowers grow on one plant. The plant has a strongly branched and compact root system. As is to be expected from a subspecies this one differs little from the species A. davidii. A. davidii subspecies grosseri is an ornamental plant which can be applied well in gardens and narrow streets.