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Acer ×freemanii 'Armstrong'



Height	10 -15 m
Width	4-6m
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
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.