

October Glory Red Maple

Acer rubrum 'PNJ 0268'

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Height: 50' to 60' (40' at age 30)

Width: 40' to 50' (35' at age 30)

Hardiness Zone: 5 to 8

Crown: broadly ovate, medium texture

Foliage: shiny green leaves, held longer in the fall than most cultivars, the usual crimson-red fall color may turn brown suddenly after frost.

Flowers: female, bright red

Fruit: same as species

Description: An offspring from '*Columnare*', it was selected in New Jersey for outstanding fall color and uniform growth habit, and was introduced in 1961.

Advantages: Suited to residential landscapes and municipal sites where space is ample.

Limitations: Less cold hardy than most other cultivars, but better adapted to warmer zones. Storms may cause limb breakage. Wounds close more slowly than on other cultivars. Species limitations also apply. Shallow root system with

some surface roots. Somewhat chlorotic on calcareous soils. The thin bark is easily damaged. Susceptible to *Verticillium* wilt and leafhoppers. May suffer from delayed graft incompatibility.

Site and Culture: Species information applies. Transplants readily, but avoid fall planting in northern zones. Adaptable over a wide range of climate and soils, from wet to dry, but requires acid soil. Tolerates partial shade. Choose cultivars for regional adaptation, especially for northern or southern extremes. Plants propagated on their own roots are preferred to avoid delayed graft incompatibility.

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