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Summertime Amur Maackia

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Maackia amurensis 'Summertime'



Summertime Amur Maackia
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 18 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

An ideal home-landscape sized ornamental tree with multi-season interest; compound leaves emerge fuzzy silver, creamy white spikes of flowers in mid-summer when few other trees bloom, and amazing mottled olive bark add up to a premium landscape gem

Ornamental Features

Summertime Amur Maackia features showy spikes of fragrant creamy white pea-like flowers rising above the foliage in mid summer. It has attractive forest green deciduous foliage which emerges silver in spring. The pinnately compound leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall colour. The mottled olive green bark is extremely showy and adds significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Summertime Amur Maackia is a deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Summertime Amur Maackia is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Summertime Amur Maackia will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

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This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.