

Trees & Shrubs for Fall Interest

Various factors contribute to the color that your tree leaves develop in the fall. The most important factor is selecting trees and shrubs that produce specific colors. Adequate moisture is also a factor; most shrubs and trees generally require 1" of moisture per week. The vividness of the color will then be influenced by the weather. For peak color to develop, leaves require warm, sunny days and cool, frosty nights.

Trees & Shrubs by Color

- **F = Full Sun:** Full sun locations allow plants to cast their own shadow for 6 or more hours a day.
- **L = Light Shade:** Light shade locations give plants 4–6 hours of sun and will usually tolerate full sun.
- **H = Heavy Shade:** Heavy shade locations receive little or no sun and will usually tolerate light shade.

Shrubs with Red Fall Color	Light	Shrubs with Red Fall Color	Light
Azalea	F–L	Center Glow Ninebark	F–L
Barberry	F	Diabolo Ninebark	F
Bush Honeysuckle	F–L	Little Devil Ninebark	F
Chokeberry	F–L	Summer Wine Ninebark	F
Cotoneaster	F–L	Rhododendron	L
Dogwood	F–L	Serviceberry	F–L
Winged Euonymus	F–L	Smokebush	F
False Spirea	F–L	Spirea	F
Forsythia	F	Sumac	F–L
Amur Maple	F–L	Viburnum	F–L

Trees with Red Fall Color	Light	Trees with Red Fall Color	Light
Blue Beech	F–L	Showy Mountain Ash	F
Adams Crabapple	F	Crimson Spire Oak	F
Prairifire Crabapple	F	Majestic Skies Oak	F
Pagoda Dogwood	F–L	Red Oak	F
Frontier Elm	F	White Oak	F
Thornless Hawthorn	F	Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry	F–L
Autumn Blaze Maple	F	Nannyberry Viburnum	F–L
Japanese Maple	F–L		

Shrubs with Yellow Fall Color	Light	Shrubs with Yellow Fall Color	Light
Clethra	F–L	Winterberry	F–L
American Hazelnut	F–L	Witchhazel	F–L
French Pussy Willow	F–L		

Trees with Yellow Fall Color	Light	Trees with Yellow Fall Color	Light
Aspen	F–L	Hackberry	F
Birch	F–L	Honeylocust	F
Ohio Buckeye	F–L	Ironwood	F–L
Northern Catalpa	F	Larch	F
Amur Cherry	F	Linden	F
Coffeetree	F	Royal Star Magnolia	F
Firebird Crabapple	F	Columnar Norway Maple	F
Lancelot Crabapple	F	Deborah Maple	F–L
Madonna Crabapple	F	Emerald Luster Maple	F–L
Snowdrift Crabapple	F	Swamp White Oak	F
Spring Snow Crabapple	F	Willow	F
White Fringetree	F–L		
Ginkgo	F		