

Acer tauricolum

(Taurus maple)

“The Taurus Maple can only be found at high altitudes of 1500 meters and higher, along the western side of the Mount Lebanon chain, where the precipitation is<br />relatively high and can support dense woodlands. The tree can be found in Barouk, Ehden, Maaser El Shouf, and Tannourine.The Taurus Maple is a shrubby tree with multiple trunks and a spreading, round silhouette. It has five-lobed leaves that turn bright yellow in autumn before they are shed. You can easily identify them from other trees by their samaras. To observe the presence of wildlife, look at the base of the tree and you may find the empty fruit wall, left by animals who have eaten the seeds.”\*

\* Trees of Lebanon, 2014, Salma Nashabe Talhouk, Mariana M. Yazbek, Khaled Sleem, Arbi J. Sarkissian, Mohammad S. Al-Zein, and Sakra Abo Eid



Plant Image

Landscape Information

Plant Type:	Tree
Origin:	Lebanon; Syria; Turkey
Heat Zones:	6, 7, 8, 9
Hardiness Zones:	4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Uses:	Screen, Specimen, Wildlife, Native to Lebanon
Size/Shape	
Growth Rate:	Moderate
Tree Shape:	Round
Canopy Symmetry:	Irregular
Canopy Density:	Medium
Canopy Texture:	Medium
Height at Maturity:	5 to 8 m
Time to Ultimate Height:	10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

### Botanical Description

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#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Cordate

**Leaf Margins:** Lobate

**Leaf Textures:** Medium

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Yellow

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

**Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3

**Flower Scent:** No Fragrance

**Flower Color:** Brown

**Seasons:** Spring

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#### Trunk

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Samara

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Fruit Colors:** Red

**Seasons:** Fall

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Low

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Edible Parts:** None

**Plant Propagations:** Seed

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Fruit Image



Bark Image