

## Fagus sylvatica 'Purple Fountain' - Purple Weeping Beech

Zone: 4

Height: 25'-35'

Width: 15'

Exposure: Full Sun

Growth Rate: Slow until established

pH: Acid to Neutral

Drought: Tolerant once established

Drainage: Requires decent drainage

Preferred Soil: Adaptable but no compaction

Pests: Aphid

Diseases: Powdery mildew



This Beech has a tendency to keep a strong central leader with weeping branches. It should not be confused with F. S. Purple Pendula, which is similar except that it only grows as tall as it is trained. Branching is somewhat irregular.

The effect is very 'Dr. Suess', and quite graceful.

The leaves are dark purple and hold their color through the summer.

In fall they turn dark brown, and persist on the tree until early spring.

Beech is very tough and you should not expect snow, wind or ice damage.