

Ulmus davidiana var. Japonica 'Discovery' Elm

Zone: 2-7

Height: 45'

Width: 35'

Crown: Oval, vase shaped branching

Growth: Moderate to fast

Soil: Clay, loam, sand

pH: Acid, alkaline

Drainage: Well drained, extended flooding

Drought: Moderate

Breakage: Resistant

Disease: Resistant



This introduction from Jefferies Nursery in Canada is highly resistant to DED and Elm Leaf Beetle. Also it is extremely hardy. The tree is somewhat smaller than American Elm, but has the same upright arching branches at maturity. It is very useful in urban situations where the American Elm is too large. 'Discovery' is a tree that is still being scrutinized. It is not as vigorous as some cultivars, and may need more maintenance to make a tree. The canopy tends to get brushy and may need to be thinned out when young. One source griped about the tree not doing well in Alberta, Canada, though it did fine in Minneapolis. Golly, nothing does well in Alberta. Robinson Nursery is offering 'Discovery' as branched trees as well as #3 Grow Ready™ liners for transplanting ease.