**Acer saccharinum**  
Silver Maple

Beautiful silvery summer leaves turn shades of yellow and red in the fall. Buds create a lovely reddish halo as they emerge in the spring. Often found in swampy areas in the wild. Shallow roots, very widespread.

Fast-growing tree, tolerant of any soil type as long as there is sufficient moisture. As it matures may develop weak, brittle branches which break in wind or ice. Good for wetland plantings.

**Suggested companions:** red maple (Acer rubrum), swamp white oak (Quercus bicolor), river birch (Betula nigra), nannyberry (Viburnum lentago)

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<td>Size:</td>
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**Water Tolerant:** Somewhat  
**Habitat:** Forested Wetland  
**Soil:** Average Garden Soil Rich Moist Very Damp/Wet Clay  
**Flower Color:** Red Silver Yellow  
**Bloom Time:** March  
**Plant in:** sun filtered shade  
**Groundcover:** No  
**Other Attributes:**
- Bird attracting
- Wildlife attracting
- Fall color