

CRIMSON FROST BIRCH

Betula platyphylla szechuanica x pendula purpurea

Height: 30-40' **Spread:** 20-30'

Location: Zone 4, sun, prefers moist sites but tolerates a variety of conditions.

Shape: Upright branching, broad crown

Foliage: Burgundy all season

Notes: Crimson Frost birch is a hybrid between the older Purple Rain birch and Whitespire. It's rich foliage color is a slight improvement over the Purple Rain and it has a much more refined, narrowly upright shape, and has dramatically increased resistance to the dreaded bronze birch borer. A true accent tree, its pronounced attributes are its purple leaves, its very upright spire-like shape and its highly ornamental bark. Like all birches, it enjoys moist to wet soils, preferably looser and slightly acidic if possible, but it is quite tolerant of various growing conditions. It does need full sun for best growth and to hold its color.

