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## Fan-Tex Ash

*Fraxinus velutina 'Fan-Tex'*

Height: 40 feet

Spread: 30 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Arizona Ash, Modesto Ash

### Description:

An attractive, symmetrical, rounded shade tree, featuring vivid golden-yellow fall color; grown from cuttings, this all-male selection produces no messy seed pods; excellent as a front yard accent tree, or boulevard planting; heat tolerant

### Ornamental Features

Fan-Tex Ash is primarily valued in the landscape for its decidedly oval form. It has attractive dark green deciduous foliage. The large glossy compound leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of gold and yellow in the fall.

### Landscape Attributes

Fan-Tex Ash is a deciduous tree with a strong central leader and a shapely oval form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned in summer after the leaves have fully developed, as it may 'bleed' sap if pruned in late winter or early spring. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects



*Fan-Tex Ash*  
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Fan-Tex Ash is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

### **Planting & Growing**

Fan-Tex Ash will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 6 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.