

Liriodendron tulipifera 'Aureomarginatum'

Yellow Variegated Tulip Tree, Tulip tree 'Aureomarginatum'

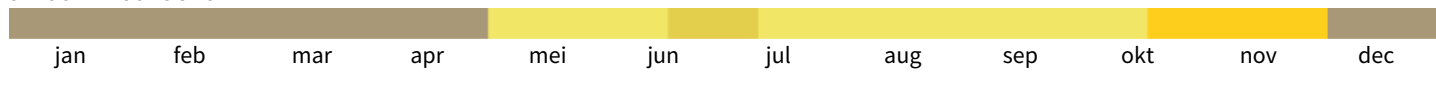


Liriodendron tulipifera 'Aureomarginatum' (yellow variegated tulip tree) is a yellow variegated selection of the American tulip tree. The cultivar was selected by Späth Nurseries in Berlin, Germany in 1865. The variegated tulip tree remains significantly smaller than the main species; it is about 12 to 15 metres tall and 8 to 10 metres wide. The ovoid crown has a semi-open structure, the trunk is perfectly straight, just like the main species.

Aureo is Latin for 'gold', and marginatum means 'edge'; the leaves of *Liriodendron tulipifera* 'Aureomarginatum' have a clearly contrasting golden yellow edge. In the summer, the edge turns yellow-green and light green and the contrast becomes less visible. The underside of the leaf is blue-green and the autumn colours are a uniquely beautiful golden yellow. The light grey bark is very decorative, with net-like furrows. The twigs are brown-red and turn light grey with clear lenticels. After 20 to 25 years, the unique, tulip-shaped flowers appear, which are unfortunately difficult to see with their green exterior and blossoms up high on the tree.

Due to the risk of branches breaking, the variegated tulip tree should be planted in an area that is sheltered from wind. The cultivar prefers moist and fertile soil with a lot of space to root. On top of the taproot - which ensures excellent embedding - the tree has fleshy roots. Stagnant water is not at all tolerated. *Liriodendron tulipifera* 'Aureomarginatum' is an appealing specimen tree for gardens and parks in particular because of its variegated leaves.

SEASONAL COLOURS



TYPES OF PLANTING

Tree types: standard trees, feathered trees, shade trees

USE

Location: street, avenue, square, park, large garden, cemetery, traffic areas, industrial zones | **Pavement:** none, open, sealed

CHARACTERISTICS

Crown shape: ovoid | **Crown structure:** semi-open | **Height:** 12 - 15 m | **Width:** 8 - 10 m | **Winter hardiness zone:** 5B - 9B

ASPECTS

Wind: intolerant to wind | **Soil:** loess, sabulous clay, light clay, sand, loamy soil | **Nutrient level:** rich in nutrients | **Soil moisture level:** moist | **Light requirements:** sun | **pH range:** acidic, neutral (6.1 - 7.5) | **Host plant/forage plant:** bees, nectar value 3, pollen value 3 | **Extreme environments:** tolerates air pollution

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Flowers: tulip-shaped, discrete, standing, singular | **Flower colour:** yellow-green | **Flowering period:** June - July | **Leaf colour:** variegated yellow, buds yellow, bright green, underside blue-green | **Leaves:** deciduous, lacinate, lobate | **Autumn colour:** yellow | **Fruits:** discrete, winged, nut, cones | **Fruit colour:** brown | **Bark colour:** pale grey | **Bark:** slightly furrowed | **Twig colour:** red-brown | **Twigs:** bare, with lenticels | **Root system:** deep, extensive, fleshy roots, tap root