

# Copper Beech

*Fagus sylvatica f. purpurea*

This is Seattle's first Copper Beech recognized by Plant Amnesty's Heritage Tree Program, in 1999. Handsome, healthy, large and mature, it exemplifies well why people love these stately ornamental shade trees from Europe.

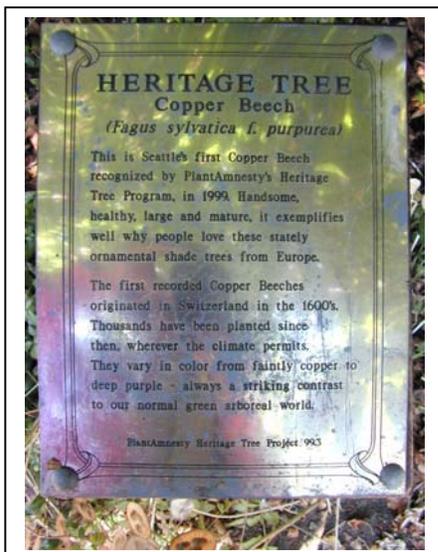
The first recorded Copper Beeches originated in Switzerland in the 1600s. Thousands have been planted since then, wherever the climate permits. They vary in color from faintly copper to deep purple -- always a striking contrast to our normal green arboreal world.



2003



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**Owner:** John Martin  
**Address:** 2137 – 8th Ave W  
**Location:** Front yard  
**Size:** 10 feet 6 in. circumference, 90 feet tall  
**Category:** Specimen AA

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