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Aceraceae - Acer triflorum Komar

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Wes Whiteside—Species Information Sheet

I. Nomenclature

Family: Aceraceae

Genus Species(Authority): *Acer triflorum* Komar.

Subspecies/Variety(Authority):

Cultivar:

Common Name: Three flowered maple

II. Origin (country and/or habitat)

Native/Rare Native/Uncommon Old World/Rare **Old**
World/Uncommon

Acer triflorum has a native range in forests of Manchuria and south-central Korea (Dirr 1998, Jones 1999).

III. Habit

Tree	Shrub	Vine
Herbaceous Annual Perennial	Herbaceous Biennial	Herbaceous

Flowering Season: The three specimens of this spring flowering maple of Dr. Whiteside's have yet to flower.

Flower Color: Greenish-white

Fruit Type: Samara

IV. Source of Plant Material

From where or whom obtained and when: All three of Wesley's plants came from Forest Farm Nursery in Oregon in the mid 1980's.

Propagule Material:

Seed Vegetative **Whole Plant**
Details: Potted seedlings

Availability: Limited availability restricted to select high end nurseries

V. Cultural

Special Soil Type: Average soil

Soil Moisture: Wet **Mesic** Dry Other

VI. Additional Comments

The three flowered maple is an attractive plant particularly for its exfoliating bark and vibrant fall foliage offering shades of orange, red, yellow, and purple that doesn't get the horticultural attention that may be deserving of its ornamental character (Hill 2010).

VII. Literature Cited

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