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**Nebraska**  
Lincoln

**red maple**

*Acer rubrum*

Code: ACRU

Status: non-native



**Bark:** smooth, light gray when young, darker gray and furrowed at maturity

**Foliage:** 3 lobes per leaf, pointed, edges serrated, sinuses shallow and broad

**Twigs:** smooth red/brown in, then smooth gray

**Flower:** emerge in spring, yellow/green to red/pink with petals, polygamous

**Fruit:** paired 'helicopters' (samaras), ripening in spring