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### Buildings keep plants warm too...

I have had some people in the past question how much a building will shelter and warm plant material in the winter. And now this spring has given me the perfect answer.

The picture below is a lace leaf Japanese maple planted here at Christensen's Plant Center. Thanks to the crazy weather that we have had this spring, this plant has drawn the line for where the building stopped radiating heat. Literally. The outside 12" of this plant got damaged over the winter or early spring and all of the branching there is now dead. While the rest of the plant was warmed by the building and is leafing out normally.

Plants can be greatly affected by the radiant heat given off by a building, or the lack of it. Just because you plant near a building does not mean that you should not take extra winter care of delicate plant material.



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