



SOMERSET BONSAI SOCIETY

Somerset Bonsai Society, Tree of the Month critique October 2026

Member name	Tree species and style	Subject		Technique					Total Score Out of 100	Member votes	Comments
		Overall presentation 30	Pot 10	Roots 10	Trunk 15	Branches & foliage 20	Health & vigour 10	Surface 5			
Advanced											
John C	Acer forest	22	9	5	12	13	10	4	75		Nice group but some trees placed much to close to front edge of pot.
Bob	Acer Shishigashira	23	8	8	12	13	10	3	77	3	Lovely little Acer. Would look better in a shallower pot.
Peter	Acer Deshojo	23	10	9	12	14	10	3	81	11	Excellent root base and nice choice of pot. Branches a bit too much like pads.
Michael C	Pyracantha	22	10	7	13	15	9	4	80	3	Very nice tree/pot combination. Top is merging into one big clump and could benefit from some thinning out. Some scabby leaves.
Richard M	Heather	21	6	5	12	12	10	4	70		Unusual idea! Try a coloured pot to enhance the flowers.
Mike H	Cotoneaster	20	5	6	11	12	10	3	67		Really needs more foliage to build up the pads. Remove the foliage sprouting from the trunk base.