



Urban Forestry Division

Recommended Tree Species
for City Right-of-Way



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SMALL ORNAMENTAL TREES

*These trees generally have a mature height of less than 30', making them suitable for planting in small tree wells and under utility lines

- *Acer griseum*, **Paperbark Maple**
- *Cercis canadensis*, **Eastern Redbud**
- *Chionanthus virginicus*, **White Fringetree**
- *Cornus florida*, **Flowering Dogwood**
- *Cornus kousa*, **Kousa Dogwood**
- *Crataegus phaenopyrum*, **Washington Hawthorn**
- *Halesia tetraptera*, **Carolina Silverbell**
- *Koelreuteria paniculata*, **Golden Raintree**
- *Magnolia stellata*, **Star Magnolia**
- *Magnolia virginiana*, **Sweetbay Magnolia**
- *Ostrya virginiana*, **Eastern Hop-hornbeam**
- *Pistacia chinensis*, **Pistache**
- *Prunus x yedoensis* or *P. serrulata*, **Flowering Cherry**
- *Styrax japonicus*, **Japanese Snowbell**



MEDIUM TREES

*These trees generally reach 40'-55' at maturity, providing shade and benefits for areas that can't accommodate large trees

- *Betula nigra*, **River Birch**
- *Carpinus betulus* 'Fastigiata', **European Hornbeam**
- *Carpinus caroliniana*, **Ironwood**
- *Cladrastis kentukea*, **Yellowwood**
- *Gymnocladus dioicus*, **Kentucky Coffeetree**
- *Ilex opaca*, **American Holly**
- *Nyssa sylvatica*, **Tupelo**
- *Oxydendrum arboreum*, **Sourwood**
- *Pinus echinata*, **Shortleaf Pine**
- *Quercus marilandica*, **Blackjack Oak**
- *Quercus stellata*, **Post Oak**
- *Tilia cordata*, **Littleleaf Linden**



LARGE SHADE TREES

* These species that exceed 60' in height provide the most benefit to the community, and should be used whenever site conditions allow

- *Celtis occidentalis*, **Common Hackberry**
- *Ginkgo biloba*, **Ginkgo** (*male cultivars only)
- *Liquidambar styraciflua*, **Sweetgum** (*Fruitless cultivars only)
- *Magnolia grandiflora*, **Southern Magnolia**
- *Metasequoia glyptostroboides*, **Dawn Redwood**
- *Pinus taeda*, **Loblolly Pine**
- *Platanus occidentalis*, **American Sycamore**
- *Prunus serotina*, **Black Cherry**
- **Oaks:** *Q. alba*, *Q. bicolor*, *Q. coccinea*, *Q. lyrata*, *Q. macrocarpa*, *Q. montana*, *Q. phellos*, *Q. velutina*
- *Tilia americana*, **American Linden**
- *Ulmus americana*, **American Elm** (*specific cultivars only)

