EDGE of the Woods Native Plants

Promoting Native Plants since 2003 Certified Women Owned Business Enterprise

Native Street Trees

Considerations for selecting street trees include height (Staying below power lines), urban tolerance (pollution, road salt, soil compaction, etc.), and habit (vase-shaped, weeping, pyramidal, etc.). We have indicated tolerances and sensitivities (where known) below. For habit, please consult the signage at the nursery or the "Tree Silhouette Guide" available at the nursery and on our website.

20' - 30' TALL AT MATURITY

- *Amelanchier species* - Serviceberry
- *Carpinus caroliniana* - American Hornbeam (high pH tolerant)
- *Cercis canadensis* - Eastern Redbud
- *Crataegus phaenoprynum* - Washington Hawthorn (urban tolerant, high pH tolerant)
- *Crataegus viridis 'Winter King'* - 'Winter King' Green Hawthorn (urban tolerant, high pH tolerant)

30' - 40' TALL AT MATURITY

- *Cladrastis kentukea* - Yellowwood
- *Ostrya virginiana* - Hop Hornbeam (sensitive to salt and urban conditions)
- *Betula nigra 'Heritage'* - 'Heritage' River Birch (intermittent flooding OK)
- *Sassafrass albidum* - Sassafrass (pH sensitive)

OVER 45' TALL AT MATURITY

- *Acer rubrum* - Red Maple (acidic soil required, salt sensitive)
- *Acer saccharum* - Sugar Maple (salt sensitive)
- *Betula lenta* - Black Birch
- *Celtis laevigata* - Sugar Hackberry
- *Celtis occidentalis* - Common Hackberry (urban and salt tolerant)
- *Gymnocladus dioicus* - Kentucky Coffeetree (urban and salt tolerant)
- *Halesia tetraptera* - Carolina Silverbell
- *Liquidambar styraciflua* - Sweet Gum (high pH sensitive, intermittent flooding OK)
- *Liriodendron tulipifera* - Tulip Tree (high pH tolerant)
- *Magnolia acuminata* - Cucumber Magnolia
- *Nyssa sylvatica* - Black Gum, Tupelo (requires acidic soil)
- *Platanus occidentalis* - American Sycamore (intermittent flooding OK)
- *Quercus bicolor* - Swamp White Oak (urban tolerant, requires moist soil)
- *Quercus imbricaria* - Shingle Oak (urban tolerant)
- *Quercus macrocarpa* - Bur Oak (urban tolerant)
- *Quercus rubra* - Red Oak (urban and salt tolerant)

Many municipalities have specific list of tree species that may be planted in the sidewalk strip near the street. They may also have requirements for height and trunk caliper. Be sure to check with your municipality before selecting your trees.
If you are planting a series of street trees, choose several species to provide diversity of habitat. By selecting several species, one particular pest or disease is less likely to affect your entire planting.
Most of the trees in our nursery are in containers and about 5'-6'. If you need a larger specimen, we will be happy to refer you to a nursery that might be able to provide one.

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6 Reasons to Use Native Plants in the Landscape

Provides beauty and four seasons of interest
Saves on water and fertilizer
Reduces disease
Attracts beneficial insects
Provides food for songbirds and butterflies
Restores and balances the ecology of Lehigh Valley

Seven Reasons to Buy Native Plants at Edge of the Woods

- All plants are nursery propagated. We do not deplete natural populations by collecting from the wild.
- Our staff is highly educated and knowledgeable. We know native plants and their life cycles. We've worked with them in gardens and landscapes for many years. The nursery has accurate and informative signage and literature to help you learn about native plants.
- We focus on the roots of the plant. Leaves come and go. Strong roots are needed for good establishment.
- We offer genetically diverse crops, and local genotypes whenever possible.
- We do not use artificial growth hormones.
- We use a minimal amount of pesticides. Our plants may have leaves that have been eaten --this means they are doing their job in the ecosystem