

TREE PLANTING VARIETIES



Request for Tree Planting By:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone Number: _____ Date: _____
 Tree Variety: _____

Mail, E-Mail or Fax Your Request to:

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Forestry staff strongly promote the selection of Carolinian and other Native species if determined to be suitable for a specific site. The City of Cambridge reserves the right on final approval for all species selections.

The City of Cambridge plants a wide selection of tree species. The list on this sheet contains varieties best suited to grow in urban conditions. Residents are welcome to request a particular variety, but City staff will make the final choice based on tree form, site space, overhead utilities, and the soil types in an area. Tree planting is done in the spring and fall of each year. Spring planting normally occurs in May, and fall planting is normally completed in October. Abnormal weather conditions may adjust these times. Residents will be advised on their inspection notice the season and year that trees will be planted. The City relies on residents to help with the care of new young trees. A detailed tree care bulletin will be delivered to your door the day the tree is planted. Water it deeply once a week in dry weather. Please use caution when using grass trimmers near the tree. The City appreciates residents help caring for the new trees; however, please do not trim or prune the trees.

✓ Trees suitable for your location are marked with a check

Small trees for small spaces – less than 5m height when mature. Suitable for boulevards <1.5m, under utilities, confined spaces



Amur Maple	small ornamental maple, yellow/red fall colour, compact form, best in acidic soils
Tartarian Maple	to Amur maple, with trident shaped foliage, good in calcareous (sweet) soils
Serviceberry	native, early spring white flowers, red fall colour, moist well drained soil
Ivory Silk Lilac	ivory coloured flowers in June, yellow/brown fall colour, well drained soil
Japanese Cherry	early spring pink flowering trees, no fruit, wide range of soils

Medium trees – 5-10m height when mature

Suitable for boulevards >1.5m



Hedge Maple	small maple leaves, dark glossy green foliage, yellow fall colour
Chanticleer Pear	white flowering in spring, dark yellow/red fall colour

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Turkish Hazel	small oval leaves, may produce small nuts at maturity
Golden Rain Tree	Compact oval crown, chains of yellow flowers mid-summer, orange-yellow fall colour

Large Trees – greater than 10m when mature

Suitable for very large boulevards and lawns



Thornless Honeylocust	feathery foliage, thornless, yellow fall colour, good in calcareous (sweet) soils
Hackberry	native, elm like leaves, immune to Dutch elm disease, wide range of soils, drought tolerant
Silver Linden	heart-shaped leaf, yellow fall colour, good in calcareous (sweet) soils
London Plane Tree	interesting mottled bark when mature, yellow/brown fall colour
Ginkgo	disease resistant, yellow fall colour, soil variable, drought tolerant
Red Oak	native, fast growing oak, red fall colour, sand loam soil
Bur Oak	native, red fall colour, soil variable
Swamp White Oak	native, red fall colour, soil variable
Kentucky Coffee Tree	native, very open branching, bluish-green foliage, yellow fall colour
Sugar Maple	native, yellow/orange fall colour, well drained soil
Native Red Maple	native, yellow/red fall colour
Native Tulip Tree – spring planting only	native, glossy leaf, yellow fall colour, tulip-shaped flowers of green/yellow/orange in May, loose well drained soil
Japanese Zelkova	Vase-shaped crown, similar to an elm. Yellow fall colour
Japanese Katsura Tree	Small oval leaves, scented flowers mid summer, yellow/pink/orange/red fall colour

Large Trees with Narrow crowns – greater than 10m when mature, but less than 5m wide

Suitable for areas with large soil volume, but restricted overhead space



Columnar Norway Maple	Non-native with very narrow crown, typical maple leaf, yellow-brown fall colour
Columnar English Oak	Glossy dark green foliage, brown fall colour – leaves stay on all winter
Princeton Sentry Ginkgo	Male clone (no fruit), very narrow crown – brilliant yellow fall colour

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