



ORNAMENTAL TREES

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Ornamental trees help to personalize your landscape by creating focal points and defining spaces. Attributes such as showy flowers, foliage, fruit and bark make your garden a more interesting and inviting place. Listed here are deciduous trees typically less than 30' tall. Crabapple, Dogwood, Japanese maple and Magnolia are covered in depth on separate fact sheets.

Name	Form	HxW	Exposure	Description
Aspen, Swedish Columnar <i>Populus tremuloides</i> 'Erecta'	Columnar	50'x10'	○	Tall, narrow form with striking silvery bark and fluttery leaves that turn yellow in fall. Tolerant of wet or dry soil. Useful as a narrow screen or vertical accent.
Aspen, Mountain Sentinel <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	Columnar	35'x8'	○	Extremely narrow form with ascending branches.
Beech, Weeping Purple Fountain <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Weeping	15'x5'	○ / ●	Impressive weeping form with a strong central leader and cascading branches. Purple-green summer foliage. Great specimen.
Birch, River Fox Valley <i>Betula nigra</i>	Oval	10'x12'	○ / ●	Dense, compact form of river birch with exfoliating cinnamon brown bark and yellow fall color. Great specimen shrub or tree, hedge and rooftop plant.
Birch, River Heritage <i>Betula nigra</i>	Round	40'x30'	○	Lovely, exfoliating creamy salmon bark. Shiny leaves turning yellow in the fall. Provide ample moisture during dry periods and always maintain a layer of bark mulch over the roots.
Birch, Royal Frost <i>Betula</i>	Pyramidal	20'x8'	○ / ●	Burgundy colored foliage contrasts beautifully with clean white trunks. Best in moist, well-drained soil.
Birch, Whitespire <i>Betula populifolia</i>	Oval	25'x15'	○ / ●	Showy, flaking white bark. Green leaves turning yellow in fall. Resistant to bronze birch borer. Best in well-drained soil.
Buckeye, Red <i>Aesculus pavia</i>	Rounded	15'x15'	○ / ●	Bold, dark green palmate leaves. Upright panicles of crimson red flowers in spring.
Cherry, Okame <i>Prunus</i>	Upright Oval	15'x10'	○	Long-lasting, semi-double, clear pink flowers in spring. Dark green foliage turning yellow-orange in fall. Handsome bark. Best in well-drained soil.
Cherry, Kwanzan <i>Prunus serrulata</i>	Vase Shaped	15'x12'	○	One of the hardier double-flowered cherries with 2 ½" deep pink flowers in early spring. Bronzy new leaves may turn good orange-bronze in fall. Best in well-drained soil.
Cherry, Royal Burgundy <i>Prunus</i>	Broad Vase	20'x15'	○	Profuse, double, deep pink flowers in spring. Deep purple foliage turning reddish-orange in fall. Best in well-drained soil.

Sun ○
6 hours direct sun

Part Sun ●
4 hours direct sun

Shade ●
Less than 3 hours direct sun

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Cherry, Weeping Snow Fountain <i>Prunus</i>	Weeping	12'x12'	○	Single, white flowers in spring. Shiny green leaves turning golden-orange in the fall. Best in well-drained soil.
Crabapple, Red Jewel <i>Malus</i>	Upright Pyramidal	18'x12'	○	Green foliage. Pure white, single flowers. 1/2", brilliant red fruit is persistent until March. Narrower than many standard crabapples and the most disease resistant variety that we carry.
Dogwood, Chinese <i>Cornus kousa var. chinensis</i>	Rounded	20'x15'	○ / ●	Tiered branching. Showy white flowers in June followed by raspberry-like fruit in late summer. Best in acidic, well-drained soil.
Dogwood, Chinese Heart Throb <i>Cornus kousa</i>	Rounded	15'x15'	○ / ●	Tiered branching. Dark pink flowers in June followed by raspberry-like fruit in late summer. Best in acidic, well-drained soil.
Dogwood, Chinese Snow Tower <i>Cornus kousa</i>	Upright	10'x3'	○ / ●	Tight, upright habit. Large white flowers in June. This tree blooms a little later than other Chinese types. Perfect where a narrow form is desired.
Dogwood, Chinese Weeping <i>Cornus kousa</i>	Weeping	10'x4'	○ / ●	White, butterfly-like flowers flutter along the pendulous branches. Makes a lovely garden specimen or feature near an entry.
Dogwood, Stellar Pink <i>Cornus x rutgersensis</i>	Vase Shaped	20'x20'	○ / ●	Tiered branching. Soft pink flowers in late spring. Red fall color. Best in acidic, well-drained soil.
Dogwood, Cornelian Cherry Golden Glory <i>Cornus mas</i>	Upright	20'x10'	○ / ●	Yellow flowers in early spring. Large, oblong cherry-red berries in summer. Purple fall color. Very hardy and adaptable tree
Dogwood, Pagoda <i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Spreading	15'x15'	○ / ●	Strong horizontal branching. White flowers in spring. Purple berries on red fruit stalks in fall. Reddish-purple fall color. Best in moist, well-drained soil.
Filbert, Turkish <i>Corylus colurna</i>	Pyramidal	30'X15'	○	Excellent formal silhouette. Handsome, heavy-textured leaves remain clean all summer. This little known tree thrives in hot summers and cold winters. Edible nuts. Good choice for urban sites.
Fringetree, White <i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	Rounded	15'x15'	○ / ●	Fragrant, lacy white flowers in June. Clusters of blue-black fruit in fall. Lustrous green leaves turning yellow in fall.
Goldenraintree <i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Rounded	30'x20'	○ / ●	Lovely 12" yellow flower panicles in July. One of the very few cold-hardy, yellow-flowering trees. Excellent as a small lawn tree or shading a patio.
Hornbeam, American <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	Rounded	25'x25'	○ / ●	Attractive, smooth bluish-gray bark. Elm-like leaves turning yellow, orange and red fall. Tolerant of many different soil types.
Hornbeam, European Columnar <i>Carpinus betulus 'Fastigiata'</i>	Upright	30'x15'	○ / ●	Dense, upright form with many slender branches and twigs. Small, dark green leaves turning yellow-orange in fall. Takes shearing, suitable for hedging.
Hornbeam, Emerald Avenue <i>Carpinus betulus</i>	Upright	35'x20'	○ / ●	Upright oval form with slender, densely set branches creating a beautiful winter silhouette. Clean, dark green leaves turn yellow in fall. Excellent for hedging.
Hornbeam, Frans Fontaine <i>Carpinus betulus</i>	Columnar	30'x10'	○ / ●	Narrower than the selections above.
Katsuratree, Weeping <i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	Mounded	20'x15'	○ / ●	Graceful cascading form. New leaves emerge reddish purple turning bluish green in summer then yellow and apricot tones in fall.

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Locust, Twisty Baby <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Round	8'x8'	○ / ●	Lacy foliage and twisted shoots make this a fun specimen. Does not flower. Yellow fall color. Quite spiffy in the winter.
Magnolia, Butterflies <i>Magnolia</i>	Pyramidal	15'x15'	○ / ●	Large, deep yellow flowers with red stamens in May. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Mulch well.
Magnolia, Galaxy <i>Magnolia</i>	Upright	25'x10'	○ / ●	Deep reddish purple buds open into rich pinkish purple flowers. Blooms 2 weeks later than saucer magnolias, thereby avoiding late frosts. Narrow tree-form is perfect for tight spaces.
Magnolia, Leonard Messel <i>Magnolia</i>	Rounded	20'x20'	○ / ●	Pale pink flowers in May. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Mulch well.
Magnolia, Saucer Alexandrina <i>Magnolia x soulangeana</i>	Rounded	15'x15'	○ / ●	Large tulip-shaped flowers in May are rosy purple on the outside and pure white inside. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Mulch well.
Magnolia, Star Ann <i>Magnolia stellata</i>	Rounded	8'x8'	○ / ●	Fragrant pink flowers in April. Compact form. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Mulch well.
Magnolia, Star Royal Star <i>Magnolia stellata</i>	Rounded	10'x10'	○ / ●	Fragrant white flowers in April. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Mulch well.
Maple, Fullmoon Gold <i>Acer shirasawanum 'Aureum'</i>	Rounded	8'x8'	○ / ●	Distinctly lobed leaves are golden yellow in summer turning orange in fall.
Maple, Japanese Bloodgood <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Vase Shaped	12'x8'	○ / ●	Burgundy red foliage in summer turning brilliant orange-scarlet in fall. Layered, tiered form. Protect from winter wind.
Maple, Japanese Cutleaf Crimson Queen <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Mounded	5'x5'	○ / ●	Deeply cut leaves emerge wine-red turning orange-red in the fall. Cascading branches. Graceful specimen for a sheltered area.
Maple, Japanese Cutleaf Tamuke yama <i>Acer palmatum dissectum</i>	Mounded	5'x5'	○ / ●	Tends to be more upright than Crimson Queen. Scorch-resistant burgundy foliage. Long cascading branches. Provide a sheltered spot.
Maple, Paperbark <i>Acer griseum</i>	Oval	15'x10'	○ / ●	Very showy, flaking orange-copper bark. Trifoliate leaves turning brilliant red in fall.
Pear, Jack <i>Pyrus</i>	Oval	15'x10'	○	This very hardy pear is much smaller than other ornamental pears. White flowers in spring. Glossy green leaves in summer. Great for small areas.
Pear, Trinity <i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	Rounded	30'x25'	○	White flowers in spring. Glossy leaves turning orange-red in fall. This pear has a tightly rounded crown.
Redbud, Eastern <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Vase Shaped	20'x20'	○ / ●	Striking rosy pink flowers in spring. Large heart-shaped leaves turning yellow in fall. Best in moist, but well-drained soil. Dislikes heavy, wet clay soil.
Redbud, Forest Pansy <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Broadly Oval	15'x15'	○ / ●	Purple-green leaf color form of Redbud. Flowers are darker lavender-pink. New leaves emerge shiny red-purple then mature to purple-green.
Redbud, Hearts of Gold <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Broadly Oval	15'x15'	○ / ●	Leaves emerge orange-red, change to gold and eventually mature to green. Gold leaf color most prominent in sun. Lavender-pink flowers in spring.
Redbud, Little Woody <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Vase Shaped	10'x8'	○ / ●	Delightful dwarf version of redbud with small blue-green leaves turning yellow in fall. Lavender-pink flowers in April and May. Great for small areas.
Redbud, The Rising Sun <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Rounded	12'x12'	○ / ●	New leaves are golden orange turning to gold then finally green. Lavender-pink flowers in spring. Nice compact form is ideal for smaller spaces.

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Redbud, Weeping Covey <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Weeping	8'x5'	○ / ●	Weeping tree-form of Redbud. Profuse lavender-pink flowers in spring.
Redbud, Weeping Ruby Falls <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Weeping	6'x4'	○ / ●	Weeping form with rich purple leaves turning purple green in summer. Dark lavender-pink flowers on bare stems in early spring. Unique umbrella-shaped crown.
Serviceberry, Allegheny Luster <i>Amelanchier laevis</i>	Oval	20'x10'	○ / ●	Upright form with white flowers in spring. Edible blue-black berries ripen in June. Leaves turn shades of orange, red and yellow in the fall.
Serviceberry, Autumn Brilliance <i>Amelanchier grandiflora</i>	Round	20'x15'	○ / ●	Profuse white spring flowers, edible fruit and pretty gray bark. Fall color tends to be a good orange-red. Good resistance to leaf spot.
Serviceberry, Cumulus <i>Amelanchier</i>	Oval	20'x12'	○ / ●	White flowers in spring. Edible blue-black berries ripen in June. Leaves turn orange-scarlet in fall. Nice narrow form.
Serviceberry, Rainbow Pillar <i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>	Upright	20'x6'	○ / ●	Very narrow form makes this serviceberry ideal for screening or hedging. Profuse white flowers in early spring. Sparse fruit. Apricot orange fall color and attractive gray bark.
Seven-son Flower <i>Heptacodium miconioides</i>	Upright Arching	12'x8'	○ / ●	Fast grower with fragrant white flowers in September followed by an even showier display of fruit. Wine-red fruits are crowned with greenish calyces that turn deep pink. Rugged, tan exfoliating bark.
Stewartia, Japanese <i>Stewartia pseudocamellia</i>	Pyramidal	25'x20'	○ / ●	2-1/2" camellia-like white flowers in July. Yellow, red or reddish purple fall color. Rich, flaky bark in soft grays to brown to reddish brown.
Stewartia, Japanese Milk & Honey <i>Stewartia pseudocamellia</i>	Oval	25'x15'	○ / ●	Larger flowers and brighter colored exfoliating bark than the species above.
Tulip tree, Little Volunteer <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	Pyramidal	20'x15'	○	Adorable version of tulip tree 1/3 the size of its parent! Unusually shaped leaves turn yellow in fall. Tulip-shaped, greenish yellow flowers.

Tree-form Shrubs

These are shrubs that have been joined (grafted) onto a trunk called a standard or trained to grow naturally into a tree form.

Crabapple, Tina <i>Malus</i>	Spreading	5'x6'	○	Green foliage. Dwarf form. Bright red buds open to single white flowers. 1/4" bright red fruit. Excellent disease resistance.
Hydrangea Tree, Panicle-type <i>Hydrangea paniculata</i>	Rounded	10'x10'	○ / ●	Large cone-shaped white flowers in summer maturing to pink, then tan.
Lilac Tree, Dwarf Korean <i>Syringa meyeri 'Palibin'</i>	Rounded	5'x5'	○	Fragrant pinkish-purple flowers in spring. Glossy foliage. Great accent plant.
Lilac Tree, Miss Kim <i>Syringa patula</i>	Rounded	6'x6'	○	Fragrant ice-blue flowers in spring. Burgundy-purple fall color. Mildew resistant. Great accent plant.
Rose of Sharon Tree <i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>	Vase Shaped	8'x6'	○ / ●	Narrow vase shape. Single or double flowers in a multitude of colors in late summer.
Viburnum Tree <i>Viburnum species</i>	Rounded	8'x8'	○ / ●	White flowers in spring. Nice orange-red fall color on most varieties.
Willow, Variegated Japanese <i>Salix integra 'Hakuro Nishiki'</i>	Rounded	6'x6'	○ / ●	Lovely pink, white and green foliage. Cut back in spring to encourage new growth with the best color.