

HVE Approved Trees 2025



Common name: Allegheny Serviceberry
Latin Name: Amelanchier Laevis
Installed size: 6ft
Mature size: 15' to 25'
Growth rate: 1 to 2ft per year
Sunlight requirements: Full sun to partial shade

Maintenance requirements: Allegheny Serviceberry maintenance is minimal; primarily, plant in full sun to part shade in well-drained, moist, acidic soil, and water consistently until established. Apply a 2-3 inch layer of mulch to retain moisture and suppress weeds. Prune sparingly in late winter or early spring after flowering to maintain shape or remove damaged branches. Monitor for occasional issues like [fire blight](#), but generally, the plant is **low-maintenance** and adaptable to various soil conditions

Comments: The tree has berries which drop in the fall.

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Common Name: Flowering Dogwood
Latin Name: Cornus Florida
Installed size: 6ft
Mature size: 25 to 30 feet height and width
Growth rate: 1 to 2 feet per year.
Sunlight requirements: Partial shade ideally morning sun.

Maintenance requirements: Flowering dogwoods require regular, deep watering, especially when newly planted or during dry spells, and benefit from a layer of mulch to retain soil moisture and keep roots cool. Pruning should be minimal, limited to removing dead, damaged, or inward-growing branches, and best performed in late winter to early spring or late fall. Fertilize sparingly, if at all, according to soil test results, and keep the area around the base free of competing weeds.

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Maintenance requirements: Performs best in well-drained soil, preferring some moisture. Regular watering, fertilization, and pruning out dead branches as needed. Begin pruning when the tree is young to create a strong structure. Prune in the winter before blooming starts.

Other Comments: Noted for its stunning rose-purple flowers which bloom in early spring (March-April). Flowers are followed by flattened bean-like dry seed pods (2-4" long) that mature to brown in summer. Redbud trees will drop petals after blooming, shed their leaves, and drop seed pods.

Common Name: Eastern Redbud

Latin Name: *Cercis Canadensis*

Installed Size: per by-laws – 6 feet

Mature Size: 20-30 feet

Growth Rate: Moderate growth rate reaching about 1 to 2 ft. per year

Sunlight Requirements: Full sun/part shade



Maintenance requirements: Provide full sun to partial shade and moist, well-drained, acidic soil. Water regularly during establishment and during dry spells once mature. Minimal pruning is needed; remove dead or crossing branches in late winter or early spring. Apply a layer of organic mulch to retain moisture and protect the roots.

Other Comments: Gorgeous fall color

Common Name: Black Gum (aka tupelo gum)

Latin Name: *Nyssa sylvatica*

Installed Size: per by-laws – min 6'

Mature Size: 30' to 50'

Growth Rate: slow

Sunlight Requirements: Full Sun (6 hrs direct sun)



Common Name: Sourwood
 Latin Name: *Oxydendrum Arboreum*
 Installed Size: per by-laws – 6 ft.
 Mature Size: 20-25 ft. tall, 10-25 ft. wide
 Growth Rate: Slow growth rate
 Sunlight Requirements: Full sun/part shade

Maintenance requirements: Performs best in moist, acidic, well-drained soils. Pruning should be done in the fall.

Other Comments: An ornamental small tree which produces white flowers that bloom June-July. The fall foliage turns crimson red to dark purple.



Common Name: Amur Maackia
 Latin Name: *Maackia amurensis*
 Installed Size: per by-laws - 6'
 Mature Size: 20' - 30'
 Growth Rate: Slow to moderate
 Sunlight Requirements: Full sun (6 hours)

Maintenance requirements: Pruning is important to create a strong structure. Prune in the summer after flowering. Low maintenance, this plant is also generally pest and disease free.

Other Comments: A compact, rounded tree suitable for smaller landscapes. The leaves emerge silvery-green in spring, changing to medium green in summer. White spiky flowers appear in midsummer.



Common Name: Purple Leaf Plum
 Latin Name: *Prunus cerasifera*
 Installed Size: per by-laws - 6'
 Mature Size - 15' - 25'
 Growth Rate: Moderate, typically growing 1 to 2 feet per year.
 Sunlight Requirements: Full sun (6 -8 hours)

Maintenance requirements: Needs consistent watering, especially during dry spells. Apply fertilizer in early spring before new growth begins. Prune after flowering to maintain shape and remove dead or diseased branches.

Other Comments: An ornamental tree known for its striking purple foliage and fragrant white, pale pink or lavender spring blossoms. The tree bears small, plum-like fruits that can be yellow or red when ripe. The Purple Leaf Plum is susceptible to many insects and diseases. It may be frequently damaged by deer.



Common Name: Crepe Myrtle Tree
 Latin Name: *Lagerstroemia Indica*
 Installed Size: per by-laws – 6'
 Mature Size: 10' - 20'
 Growth Rate: Medium
 Sunlight Requirements: Full Sun (6 hrs direct sun)

Maintenance requirements: Drought tolerant but prefers consistent moisture. Use slow-release, balanced fertilizer (8-8-8 or 10-10-10) in early spring. Can be pruned to limit size. Pruning is best done in late winter or early spring before new growth begins.

Other Comments: Small tree with Pink, Purple, Red, or White blossoms from July to September. Sucker growth can be an issue.



Common Name: Golden Rain Tree
 Latin Name: Koelreuteria Paniculata
 Installed Size: per by-laws – 6’
 Mature Size: 30’ - 40’
 Growth Rate: Medium
 Sunlight Requirements: Full sun/partial shade

Maintenance requirements: Drought tolerant

Other Comments: Small brilliant yellow flowers in midsummer. Lime green seed pods appear on the golden raintree, maturing to a dull brown. They resemble small Chinese lanterns and remain on the tree well into the fall.



Common Name: American Hornbeam
 Latin Name: Carpinus caroliniana
 Installed Size: per by-laws – 6 ft.
 Mature Size: 15- 20 ft. tall, 20 - 30 ft. wide
 Growth Rate: Slow growth rate

Sunlight Requirements: It prefers deep, fertile, moist, acidic soil and grows best in partial shade, but will grow in full sun.

Maintenance requirements: Low maintenance, generally unbothered by pest and disease issues.

Other Comments: The foliage offers vibrant yellow, orange and red fall colors. Bark features distinctive smooth, gray and rippling “muscular” bark.



Common name: Japanese Zelcova
Latin Name: Zelcova Serrate
Installed size: 6ft per rules and regs
Mature Size: 50' to 80'
Growth rate: 12 to 24 inches per year
Sunlight requirements: Ideal is full sun

Maintenance requirements: To care for a Japanese Zelkova, provide full sun to partial shade, water consistently but avoid waterlogging, and fertilize in early spring. Prune during the dormant season in late winter to early spring to maintain its vase-shaped form and remove weak or crossing branches. Mulch to retain soil moisture and protect the trunk, and watch for pests like spider mites, which can be managed with a balanced approach.