

Gifford Pinchot State Park

Tree and Native Plant Donation Program

Planting trees and native plants is a meaningful tribute that creates a living legacy for generations through cleaner air, cooler temperatures, and a healthier planet.

Two options are available to donate a native tree or plant:

Donors may opt to donate to our native plant fund or purchase and plant a native tree at an approved location in the park.



Donors may select a certificate from the following options.

Full-sized examples of the certificates are available at the park office or via email.

1). The donor may contribute the cost of a tree or plant:

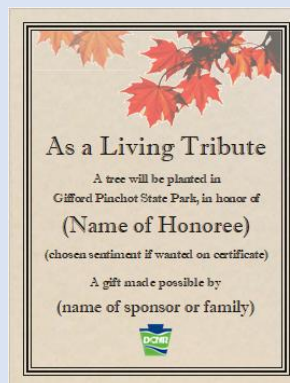
Donations can be made to the [Friends of Pinchot's PA Parks and Forest Foundation \(PPFF\) account](#). These funds will be used to plant PA native trees, shrubs, flowering perennials, and support resources for special planting days. Friends Group volunteers and park staff will source and install these plants throughout the park and these efforts will contribute to the beautification and biodiversity of Gifford Pinchot State Park.

2). The donor works with park to purchase and plant a native tree:

The donor contacts the park office and works with Park Management to select an approved location for planting. The donor would be responsible for selecting a tree from a pre-approved species list. Trees must have a minimum of a 2-inch caliper DBH (diameter at breast height). The donor would purchase and transport or have the tree delivered to the park. Park staff or Friends Volunteers may assist with the initial planting, but are not responsible for long-term maintenance of the tree. It is recommended that donors visit regularly in the first few years to water and check on the tree.

Recommended Tree Species:

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| • Alternate-Leaved Dogwood | • Eastern Redbud | • Red Oak |
| • American Elm | • Eastern Red Cedar | • River Birch |
| • American Holly | • Eastern White Pine | • Sassafras |
| • Bald Cypress | • Flowering Dogwood | • Scarlet Oak |
| • Basswood | • Fringe Tree | • Serviceberry |
| • Black Cherry | • Honey Locust | • Southern Red Oak |
| • Black Gum | • Kentucky Coffee Tree | • Sugar Maple |
| • Black Locust | • Loblolly Pine | • Swamp Chestnut Oak |
| • Black Oak | • Northern Catalpa | • Sweet Gum |
| • Black Willow | • Northern Prickly Ash | • Sycamore |
| • Blue Beech | • Pawpaw | • Tulip Poplar |
| • Common Hackberry | • Persimmon | • Willow Oak |
| • Carolina Willow | • Pin Oak | • White Oak |
| • Chestnut Oak | • Red Maple | |



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