

BENEFITS OF STREET TREES

Trees provide a wide range of benefits in urban settings. They clean the air, reduce stormwater runoff, provide habitat for birds and other wildlife, and enhance the urban landscape. Street trees benefit property owners by providing shade, reducing heating and cooling costs and increasing property values.

TREE PLANTING REQUESTS

A property owner can submit a tree planting request for the road allowance in front of their home or business by **contacting 311**.

Please include any details such as location or species preferences when submitting a request.

Requests will be reviewed by Urban Forestry staff, using guidelines which prioritize optimal tree health and safety. Requests will be accommodated where possible.

THE RIGHT TREE FOR THE LOCATION

Urban Forestry staff assesses each location to determine the appropriate tree species and specific spot for planting. Planting details are based on soil conditions and quality, natural light conditions, nearby in-ground utilities and health and species composition of the area's tree canopy.

Please note that not all trees listed are appropriate for all locations.

NEWLY PLANTED TREE CARE

Newly planted trees need care to become established and grow. Property owners can support newly planted trees during the first two to three years after planting by watering them.

TREES ON THE CITY'S ROAD ALLOWANCE






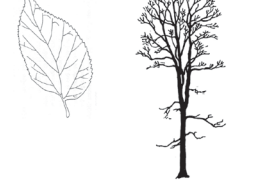

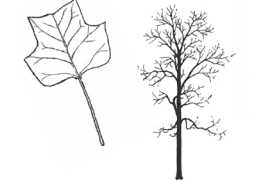



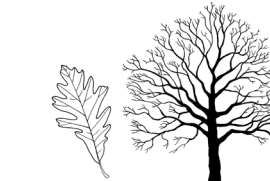








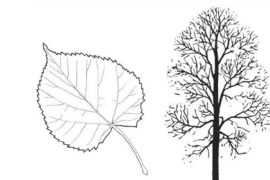



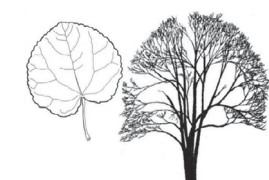




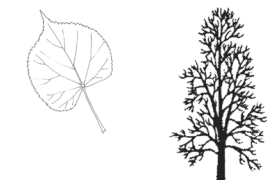
The City of Toronto owns a portion of land between roadways and private property, known as the road allowance. Urban Forestry plants and maintains trees on the road allowance to help grow Toronto's urban forest and reach the city's goal of increasing the tree canopy to 40 per cent.

TORONTO STREET TREE GUIDE

Growing Toronto's Tree Canopy

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1. MAPLE, BLACK <i>Acer nigrum</i>  Large Hardy Fast growing, yellow fall colour.	2. MAPLE, RED <i>Acer rubrum</i>  Large Very sensitive Fast growing, green leaves with bright red fall colour.	3. MAPLE, SILVER <i>Acer saccharinum</i>  Large Very hardy Fast growing, Yellow fall colour	4. MAPLE, SUGAR <i>Acer saccharum</i>  Large Sensitive Fast growing, brilliant orange-red fall colour.	5. BUCKEYE, OHIO <i>Aesculus glabra</i>  Large Moderately hardy Cream flowers in late spring, nut-like seeds in fall.	6. HACKBERRY <i>Celtis occidentalis</i>  Large Hardy Interesting bark, attractive to pollinators.	7. KENTUCKY COFFEETREE <i>Gymnocladus dioica</i>  Large Very hardy Provides dappled shade, open branching.	8. TULIP TREE <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>  Large Sensitive Unique green flowers in late spring.	9. IRONWOOD <i>Ostrya virginiana</i>  Medium Sensitive Interesting shaggy bark.	10. OAK, WHITE <i>Quercus alba</i>  Large Very sensitive Slow growing, acorns in fall, leaves remain over winter.
11. OAK, SWAMP WHITE <i>Quercus bicolor</i>  Large Moderately hardy Slow growing, acorns in fall, interesting peeling bark.	12. OAK, BUR <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>  Large Hardy Slow growing, acorns in fall, leaves remain in winter.	13. OAK, SHUMARD <i>Quercus shumardii</i>  Large Very sensitive Shiny green leaves, pyramidal form, reddish-brown fall colour.	14. OAK, RED <i>Quercus rubra</i>  Large Hardy Slow growing, red leaves in fall, leaves remain over winter.	15. BASSWOOD <i>Tilia americana</i>  Large Moderately sensitive Small, fragrant flowers in June, yellow fall colour.	16. MAPLE, FREEMAN <i>Acer x freemanii 'Autumn Blaze'</i>  Large Hardy Fast growing, brilliant orange-red fall colour.	17. BUCKEYE, YELLOW <i>Aesculus flava</i>  Large Hardy Yellow flowers in late spring, nut-like seeds in fall.	18. CATALPA, NORTHERN <i>Catalpa speciosa</i>  Large Hardy White flowers in late spring, large, heart shaped leaves.	19. YELLOW-WOOD <i>Cladrastis lutea</i>  Medium Sensitive White flowers in summer, small, bean-like seed pods.	20. HONEY LOCUST <i>Gleditsia triacanthos 'Skyline'</i>  Large Very hardy Fast growing, provides dappled shade, nearly seedles.
21. LINDEN, 'REDMOND' <i>Tilia americana 'Redmond'</i>  Large Hardy Small, fragrant flowers in June, classic pyramidal shape.	22. ELM, WHITE, VALLEY FORGE <i>Ulmus americana 'Valley Forge'</i>  Large Very hardy Fast growing, resistant to Dutch Elm disease.	23. HORSECHESTNUT, COMMON <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>  Large Moderately hardy White flowers in late spring, nut-like seeds in fall.	24. HORSECHESTNUT 'RUBY RED' <i>Aesculus carnea 'Briotii'</i>  Medium Moderately hardy Red flowers in late spring, nut-like seeds in fall.	25. KATSURA, JAPANESE <i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>  Medium Sensitive Brilliant fall colour.	26. HAZEL (FILBERT), TURKISH <i>Corylus colurna</i>  Medium Sensitive Interesting leaves, corky bark.	27. BEECH, EUROPEAN <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>  Large Sensitive Attractive smooth grey bark, leaves remain over winter.	28. GINKGO <i>Ginkgo biloba</i>  Large Hardy Slow growing, fan shaped leaves, bright gold fall colour.	29. LONDON PLANE <i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>  Large Moderately hardy Interesting mottled grey-green bark.	30. LITTLE LEAF LINDEN <i>Tilia cordata</i>  Large Hardy Small, fragrant flowers in June, classic pyramidal shape.

LEGEND:

- NATIVE TO SOUTHERN ONTARIO
- NATIVE TO NORTH AMERICA, HYBRIDS AND CULTIVARS
- NATIVE TO EUROPE/ASIA

STREET TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

This brochure highlights the tree species that are commonly available for planting by Urban Forestry. Trees grow best when they are planted in the right conditions.

Urban Forestry encourages the planting of large-growing, native species whenever possible. Urban Forestry works to achieve a healthy, diverse, sustainable urban forest that enhances the quality of life for everyone in the city.

Before planting, staff deliver notices to the adjacent residential address indicating the location, species and year of planting for the planned tree(s).

VOLUNTEER PLANTING EVENTS

www.toronto.ca/greentoronto

Urban Forestry offers volunteer tree planting program in parks and natural areas.

PRIVATE LAND PLANTING PROGRAM

www.toronto.ca/TreeGrants

Grants and incentives are available for tree planting on private land.

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