

**Clinton Township Approved Tree List**  
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**URBAN TREES FOR CENTRAL OHIO**  
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TREES FOR LANDSCAPES, STREETS, PARKS & CEMETERIES

**SMALL TREES** – Mature height under 30’, suitable under utility wires

**Adams Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Adams’**: height – 25’; habit - dense rounded; fall color – orange-red; fruit – red, persistent.

**Centurion Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Centurion’**: height: 20’ – 25’; fruit – cherry-red ½””; habit - upright; fall foliage: green; flowers – rose-red.

**Harvest Gold Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Harvest Gold’**: height: 20’ - 25’; fruit – golden, ½””; habit – upright; flowers - white; fruit persists into spring.

**Madonna Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Madonna’**: height: 16’ – 20’; fruit – red; habit – compact, upright; flowers – white, double.

**Prairifire Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Prairifire’**: height – 20’; habit – upright spreading, foliage – reddish-green and yellow in the fall; flowers – coral red; fruit – dark red.

**Red Jewel Crabapple** – **Malus ‘Red Jewel’**: height – 15’; habit- mounded spreading form; fruit – cherry red ½” persist to April, foliage – excellent dark green; flowers – white.

**Corneliancherry Dogwood** – **Cornus mas**: height: 20’ - 30’; habit- rounded; flowers- yellow, March.

**Japanese Cornel Dogwood** – **Cornus officinalis**: height 20’, 35’ width, flowers- yellow March to April, bark- gray, brown & orange.

**Flowering Dogwood** – **Cornus florida**: height 20-30’, spread 20-25’. Flowers- white- 4 bracts, Fruit- drupe, red. Prefers protected site and acidic soils. Native and naturally grows as a understory tree.

**Kousa Dogwood** – **Cornus kousa**: height 20-30’ and equal spread. Mottled bark of gray, tan and orange. Flowers- white in June. Fruit looks like a pinkish red raspberry. Fall color- red to purple. Many cultivars available.

**Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn – *Crataegus crusgalli*:** height: 15'– 20'; habit – globose , dense branches; flowers – white in clusters; fruit – ½" red persistent, used for wildlife; foliage gray green, purple/red in fall.

**Winter King Green Hawthorn - *Crataegus viridis* 'Winter King':** height – 20-25'; habit – rounded, fall color – purple to red; flowers – white cluster; fruit – red and persisting.

**Ohio Pioneer Dotted Hawthorn – *Crataegus punctata* var. *inermis* 'Ohio Pioneer':** height: 20'- 25'; fruit; dark brick-red; habit - rounded; fall foliage – grayish/green; flowers - white clusters; thornless.

**Vaughn Hawthorn – *Crataegus phaenopyrum* x *Crataegus crusgalli* 'Vaughn':** height - 15 - 20' ; fruit – glossy, orange-red, 3/8"; habit – rounded; fall foliage – grayish-green; flowers – white.

**Washington Hawthorn – *Crataegus phaenopyrum*:** height: 25-30'; fruit – bright glossy red; shape – oval rounded; fall foliage – orange to scarlet to purplish, thorns.

**American Hornbeam, Musclewood – *Carpinus caroliniana* Autumn Fire:** height: 25'- width- 6-8' upright form with burgundy, orange and red foliage in the fall. Native.

**Ivory Silk Tree Lilac - *Syringa reticulata* 'Ivory Silk':** height - 20'–30'; shape – rounded; fruit – clusters of capsules; fall foliage – green; flowers – 6-10" white panicles; attractive flowers in early July, flowers at a young age.

**Amur Maackia – *Maackia amurensis*:** height - 20'-30', shape- rounded, fruit – pod, flower – 4-6" white racemes June – July.

**Trident Maple – *Acer buergerianum*:** height 20-30', spread 20' fall color- orange to scarlet.

**Amur Maple - *Acer ginnala*:** height: 15' – 20'; shape - globose to ovate; foliage – green to red/orange in fall.

**Paperbark Maple – *Acer griseum*:** height – 20 - 30'; shape – upright oval to rounded; fall color – russet red to red; exfoliating bark makes this tree interesting.

**Tartarian Maple – *Acer tataricum*:** height – 15 - 20' sometimes 30'; shape – rounded; fall color – yellow, red to reddish brown.

**Persian Parrotia – *Parrotia persica*:** height – 20 – 40' spread 15 – 30', somewhat upright branching. Ornamental bark, very early small red flowers, yellow to sometimes reddish fall color.

**Serviceberry species – *Amelanchier* species:** height – 25' – 30'; fruit – red, birds love them; shape – oval, upright; foliage – orange/red in fall; flowers – white clusters.

**Eastern Redbud – *Cercis canadensis*:** height – 20’ – 25’; flowers – dark pink, early before foliage, fruit – small pod; shape - irregular; fall color – sometimes yellow.  
‘Alba’ – white flower selection. Naturally grows as an understory tree, native.

**Blackhaw Viburnum – *Viburnum prunifolium*:** height – 12-15’; shape – rounded; flowers – white clusters in May; fruit – blueish black and edible. **Dark Tower-** height 15-18’, width 8-10’, glossy foliage, white flowers, blue-black fruit, fall color- orange to scarlet.

**Nannyberry Viburnum – *Viburnum lentago*:** height – 18’ possibly 30’; shape – upright, open; flowers – white clusters in May; fruit – blueish black, winter food for birds

### **MEDIUM TREES** – Mature size being 30’-60’.

**Black Alder – *Alnus glutinosa*** height – 40-60’; shape – pyramidal when young then irregular; fruit – woody strobile; adaptable, does well in wet or dry sites, full sun or partial shade, nitrogen fixer.

**Autumnalis Higan Cherry – *Prunus subhirtella* variety *Autumnalis*:** height: 20-40’; flowers – semi-double pink; habit – oval upright; Higan cherry are the most cold, heat and stress tolerant of the cherry group.

**Jackii Crabapple – *Malus* ‘*Jackii*’:** height: 30-40’; fruit – maroon ½”’; shape - upright and rounded; foliage – glossy green, yellow in the fall.

**Spring Snow Crabapple – *Malus* ‘*Spring Snow*’** – fruitless, white flowers

**Frontier Elm- *Ulmus* x ‘*Frontier*’-** height 35’, width 25’, high resistance to DED, fall color- red to purplish. Fast growth rate.

**Lacebark or Chinese Elm - *Ulmus parvifolia*:** height: 40-50’; fruit – whitish, winged ¼”’; shape – rounded; fall foliage – yellow to wine. Bark- mottled to exfoliating.

**Patriot Elm – *Ulmus* ‘*Patriot*’** – height 45’, 25 wide and vase shaped. Excellent resistance to DED. Glossy green foliage. Fall color- yellow

**Goldenraintree – *Koelreutaria paniculata*:** height: 25’ to 40’; shape - globose; flower – yellow June-July; foliage – blue/green leaflets, yellow in fall; fruit – bladder like papery green capsules turning brown.

**American Hophornbeam – *Ostrya virginiana*:** height: 30’-40’; shape conical to globose with age; foliage – green, yellow in fall; flowers – catkins; fruit nutlets in bunches. Prefers some protection, understory tree.

**European Hornbeam – *Carpinus betulus*:** height: 35’- 40’; shape – conical becoming ovate, wide spreading; foliage – green-yellow in fall; flowers – catkins with bracts; fruit – leafy cluster with nutlets.

**Upright European Hornbeam - *Carpinus betulus* 'Fastigiata':** height: 30-40; shape – upright oval dense; fall color – yellowish. Grown for its dense upright habit.

**American Hornbeam, Musclewood – *Carpinus caroliniana*:** height: 25-35' possibly taller, with equal spread; fall color- yellow to orange, does well in moist sites, native.

**Red Horsechestnut – *Aesculus x carnea*:** height- 30-40'; shape – round to broad-rounded; flowers- rose red 6-8" panicles. '**Briotii**' – flowers deeper red and larger.

**Crimean Linden – *Tilia x euchlora*:** height – 40-60' and half that in spread; fall color – possibly yellow-green.

**Legend American Linden – *Tilia americana* 'Wendell':** height: 50'; shape – broadly conical; foliage – dark green; flowers – pale yellow, attracts bees; fruit – ½" nutlets.

**Littleleaf Linden – *Tilia cordata*:** - height: 45' – 65'; fruit – tan globes ¼"; shape – compact, pyramid; '**Corinthian**', '**Greenspire**', '**Glenleven**'- cultivars.

**Hedge Maple – *Acer campestre*:** height – 25 - 45'; shape – rounded; fall color – yellow; can tolerate alkaline soils. '**Queen Elizabeth**'-cultivar

**Celebration Maple – *Acer x freemanii* 'Celebration':** height: 45'; fruit – seedless; shape – upright, oval; fall foliage - orange-red; flowers – greenish-yellow.

**Norwegian Sunset Maple – *Acer truncatum x Acer platanoides* 'Norwegian Sunset':** height: 35' – 45'; fruit – winged, 1 ½"; shape – upright oval; fall foliage – orange-red; flowers - greenish-yellow.

**Pacific Sunset Maple – *Acer truncatum x Acer platanoides* 'Pacific Sunset':** height: 30' - 40'; fruit – winged, 1 ½"; shape – upright, rounded; fall foliage – red; flowers – greenish yellow.

**Sawtooth Oak – *Quercus acutissima*:** height: 40'-50'; fruit – acorn; shape – rounded.

**Osage Orange – *Maclura pomifera*:** height 25-40' spread 20-40'. Glossy foliage, fruit- 3-6" yellow-green globe. Stems armed with stout spines. Choose the cultivar '**Whiteshield**'= male clone, fruitless and no spines. Native to Ohio.

**Hardy Rubber Tree – *Eucommia ulmoides*:** height: 40' – 60'; rounded to broad spreading; foliage – green-yellow/green in fall; flower dioecious - not showy; fruit – 1 ½" capsule; lustrous dark green foliage, slow grower.

**Yellowwood – *Cladrastis kentukea*:** height 30-50' spread 40-50'. Flowers- white panicles, Fruit- brown pod. Fall color- yellow. Tolerant of alkaline soils.

## **LARGE TREES** – Mature size being 60+ feet.

**Baldcypress – *Taxodium distichum*:** height: 50-70'; habit – pyramidal; foliage – yellow-green in the spring, linear lanceolate, orange to pink to soft brown in the fall; a deciduous conifer that adapts well to wet or dry sites, landscape tree mostly, but also used as street trees.

**River Birch- *Betula nigra*:** height – 40-70; habit – oval maturing to rounded; fall color – yellow and has handsome exfoliating bark. Prefers lower pH soils.

**Kentucky Coffeetree – *Gymnocladus dioica*:** height: 55'–75'; foliage – blue-green leaflets, yellow in fall; flowers – green or yellow-white clusters; fruit – 4" to 10" reddish brown pods on females. Native to Ohio.

**American Elms- Improved = *Ulmus americana*:** 'Valley Forge', 'Princeton', 'New Harmony', 'Jefferson': height 60-80', medium to fast growing; shows tolerance to Dutch Elm disease.

**Accolade Elm – *Ulmus japonica x wilsoniana* Accolade:** height 70', spread 40-50, upright spreading habit. Fall color- yellow. Good resistance to DED.

**Ginkgo (male only) *Ginkgo biloba*:** height: 50'–80'; shape – irregular; foliage – fan shaped yellow in fall; fruit – none on males; wide unless upright selection is chosen. Distinctive tree and has historical interest. Male cultivars; 'Autumn Gold', 'Fairmont', 'Lakeview', 'Mayfield', 'Palo Alto', 'Princeton Sentry', 'Sinclair'

**Bitternut Hickory - *Carya cordiformis*:** height 50-75+' fast grower for a hickory. Fruit 1 1/2" long, 4-winged. Native.

**Shagbark Hickory – *Carya ovata*:** height 60-80+', equal width, Known for it's gray shaggy bark. Fall color- yellow. Native to Ohio.

**Honeylocust species (Thornless only) *Gleditsia triacanthos* var. *inermis*:** height: 40' – 70'; shape – ovate; foliage – green/yellow in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; fruit – long brown pods; lacy appearance, casts light shade easy to clean up in fall.

**Horsechestnut – *Aesculus hippocastanum*:** height: 50-75+; shape – upright oval to rounded; flowers- yellowish 5-12" terminal panicles; foliage – early to leaf out, yellowish brown in fall; fruit – spiny dehiscent.

**American Linden – *Tilia americana*:** height 60-80'+, shape- oblong rounded crown, flowers- yellow, fall color- pale yellow 'Redmond'- height- 60, spread 35'

**Silver Linden - *Tilia tomentosa*:** height: 50' – 70'; shape – conical to ovate; foliage – green with silver underside, yellow in the fall; flowers – yellowish-white, fragrant; fruit - 1/3" nutlet; attractive and tolerates heat and drought better than most lindens. 'Sterling' – cultivar

**Cucumbertree Magnolia- *Magnolia acuminata*:** height 50-80'; shape- broad rounded; flower- perfect, greenish yellow- May; native to Ohio.

**Black Maple – *Acer nigrum*:** height: 60' - 75'; shape – ovate; fall color - yellow; flowers – yellow/green before leaves appear; fruit – 1” samara.

**Sugar Maple species – *Acer saccharum*:** height: 60' - 75'+; fruit – winged, 1-1 3/4”; shape – oval to rounded; fall foliage – orange, red; flowers – yellow green. ‘**Commemoration**’, ‘**Green Mountain**’ – cultivars.

**Bur Oak – *Quercus macrocarpa*:** height 70' – 90'; shape – ovate; foliage - 5-8” fiddle shape rounded lobes, yellow brown in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; fruit acorns; durable wide range of soils, massive, more tolerant of city conditions than most Oaks.

**Chinkapin Oak – *Quercus muehlenbergii*:** height – 50-70'+; shape – open rounded crown, wide spreading with age, fall color- yellow to orangish brown; will grow in alkaline soils.

**Crimson Spire Oak – *Quercus robur x alba* ‘**Crimschmidt**’:** height 45' spread 15' Upright grower, Fall color- reddish

**English Oak – *Quercus robur*:** height: 60' to 80'; shape ovate to globose; foliage 3- 5” lobes, brown in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; tolerant of drought and resistant to some limited root space, upright forms also available.

‘**Skymaster**’ – cultivar - height: 50' – 60'; shape – pyramidal; fall foliage – green.

**Northern Red Oak – *Quercus rubra*:** height: 60' – 80'; fruit – acorn; shape – ovate, open; fall foliage – bright reddish, golden brown; flowers – inconspicuous.

**Pin Oak – *Quercus palustris*:** height: 55' to 75'; shape – conical to ovate; foliage – 3 –6' lobes, bronze in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; fruit – acorns.

**Regal Prince Oak – *Quercus robur x bicolor* ‘**Long**’:** Height 45' Spread 18' Columnar form and mildew resistant foliage. Fall color- yellow.

**Scarlet Oak – *Quercus coccinea*:** height – 70-75' by 40-50' in width, fall color – scarlet to russet red.

**Shingle Oak – *Quercus imbricaria*:** height: 40' – 60'; shape – conical to globose; foliage - 3' – 6” laurel like leaves, green, yellow/brown to russet red in fall; fruit acorns; attractive and tolerant to city conditions, leaves persist into winter and can be used for screening.

**Shumard Oak – *Quercus shumardii*:** height: 60' – 80'; fruit – acorn; shape – broad, rounded; fall foliage – reddish-brown; flowers – inconspicuous. More tolerant of alkaline soils than Northern Red Oak.

**Swamp White Oak - *Quercus bicolor*:** height: 60' – 80'; shape – ovate; foliage - 4" – 8" lobes, yellow brown in fall; flowers – inconspicuous.

**Japanese Pagodatree – *Sophora japonica*:** height: 50-75'; shape – upright spreading; flowers – creamy white panicles July- August, fruit – pod, fall color – occasional yellow.

**Common Persimmon – *Diospyros virginiana*:** height- 35-60'+, spread 20-35' Flowers- white, Diecous- need two plants for pollination. Edible yellow to orange fruit. Native to Ohio.

**American Planetree, Sycamore – *Platanus occidentalis*-** height 75-100+' with similar spread, bark- exfoliating to white. Native

**London Planetree – *Platanus x acerifolia*:** height: 70-100'; shape – pyramidal in youth, open wide spreading with age; bark – olive green to creamy, exfoliating.

**Dawn Redwood – *Metasequoia glyptostroboides*:** height: 65' - 100'; shape - conical; foliage – deciduous needles, yellow to orange/brown in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; fruit – 1" pendulous cones.

**Sweetgum – *Liquidambar styraciflua*:** height: 60' - 75'; fruit – horned balls, 1-1 ½"; shape - pyramidal; fall foliage – green, yellow, scarlet and purple; star shaped leaves, best if planted in the spring.

**Tuliptree- *Liriodendron tulipifera*:** height: 70-90', shape – oval-rounded; foliage- golden yellow to yellow in fall; flowers- tulip like- greenish yellow petal with orangish interior- beautiful flower.

**Black Tupelo or Black Gum – *Nyssa sylvatica*:** height: 40' – 70'; shape conical; foliage – glossy dark green, yellow/orange and scarlet in fall; flowers – inconspicuous; fruit – ½" blue, eaten by birds and mammals.

**Black Walnut- *Juglans nigra*:** height 50-75', with equal spread. Light green nuts 1 1/2-2" thick.

**Japanese Zelkova- *Zelkova serrata* –** height: 50-80' elm-like foliage and vase shaped when young. Fall color- yellow- orange, possibly red '**Green Vase**' and '**Village Green**'

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