NW CENTRAL QUEEN ANNE TREE WALK



Thank you for participating in this Tree Walk!

Trees for Seattle, a program of the City of Seattle, is dedicated to growing and maintaining healthy, awe- inspiring trees in Seattle. Trees build strong communities by:

- Making our streets friendlier places to walk and bike
- Soaking up rainwater to keep our streams, lakes, and Puget Sound clean
- Calming traffic, helping to avoid accidents
- Cleaning our air, making it easier to breathe
- And much more!

Seattle's urban forest depends on you! 2/3 of Seattle's trees are planted around homes and maintained by residents. Without those trees, Seattle would be a sad place. Working together, we can have an urban forest that is healthy and growing.

You can get involved in many ways:

- Attend a Tree Walk: We host free monthly tours of the unique and beautiful trees in neighborhoods across Seattle. Self-guided versions are also available on our website.
- **Volunteer:** Our volunteers lead Tree Walks with friends and neighbors and participate in fun events like Tree Stewardship work parties to help keep trees healthy and thriving. You can commit for an hour or a lifetime. Everyone is welcome.
- **Plant a Tree:** Our Trees for Neighborhoods project supports Seattle residents in planting trees around their homes by providing support, free trees, and workshops.

For more information on our work and how you can get involved:

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NW Central Queen Anne Tree Walk

"Beautiful Leaves, Flowers & Trunks on Queen Anne Hill"
Tree Walk begins at the SW corner of 6th Ave W and W Smith St by Coe School

Tree #	Common Name Botanic Name	Notes: Directions, addresses and info about the trees	Photos
1	Chinese Pistachio Pistacia chinensis NW corner of 6th Ave W and W Smith St by Coe School	Cross W Smith St to NW corner to find these lovely street trees. The Chinese pistachio is well-loved for its beautiful autumn foliage and showy red berries. It is hardy in temperate regions. In Seattle it's extremely rare, small, slow-growing with spectacular fall color.	
2	Holly Oak Quercus ilex 2446 6th Ave W.	Reverse, cross W. Smith again and then cross 6th Ave, walking south to 2446 6th Ave W. Two street trees. This tree is evergreen and has leathery and sometimes toothed leaves resembling holly. The canopy has a rounded-dome shape.	
3	Eastern White Pine Pinus strobus Southern end of Coe School	Cross 6th Ave W. This pine is the last at the southern end of a row of 8 trees near schoolyard. Needles are bluish green in clusters of 5. The name comes from its almost white wood.	
4	Hollywood Juniper Juniper chinensis, var. torulosa 2147 6th Ave W	Continue walking south. Cross W. McGraw St. At 2147 6th Ave W, by sidewalk. This is a widely planted and well-known cultivar having a wildly irregular, twisted compact form. In California it often reaches 45' in height.	

5	Birchbark Cherry Prunus serrula 2135 6th Ave W	This tree is at the southern end of the front yard. The birchbark cherry has bark that is bright reddish-brown, glossy and peeling. It is uncommon in Seattle.	
6	Japanese Angelica Aralia elata 2135 6th Ave W	Look for the thorny bent trunk mid-yard. This is the Japanese Angelica. Its name comes from its leaves resembling the herb, Angelica.	
7	Paperbark Birch Betula papyrifera 2130 6th Ave W	Across 6th Ave at 2130 6th Ave W, 3 street trees. The bark of this tree is creamy white, peels in thin papery strips. The durable bark was often used to cover canoes to make them waterproof. It has an upright non-weeping habit.	
8	Eastern Redbud Cercis canadensis cv 'Forest Pansy' 1959 6th Ave W	Continue south on 6th Ave and cross W. Crockett St. At bus stop 1959 6th Ave W. A tree popular for its pea-like, rosy-pink flowers that arise before the foliage in spring and then develops heart-shaped leaves of reddish purple.	
9	Paperbark Maple Acer griseum 1953 6th Ave	At 1953 6th Ave, 2 street trees. This maple is grown for its unusual bark: colored cinnamonred, papery and peeling. It is one of the few trifoliate maples and achieves rich red color in the fall. A native of central China.	

10	Big Leaf Linden Tilia platyphyllos 1928 6th Ave	Continue south. Before 1925 6th Ave W, look across 6th Ave to 1928 6th Ave for 2 tall street trees just north of the white birches. Lindens have fragrant, creamy yellow flowers in drooping clusters in June followed by small nutlets with attached leafy wings. Bees are attracted to the flowers. It is also known as large-leaved lime tree.	
11	Beaked Hazelnut Corylus cornuta 1925 6th Ave	1925 6th Ave, 2 street trees. The tree is monecious: male catkins emerge in fall/winter. The tiny red female flowers along the stem are pollinated in spring. The fruit is a round, smooth nut with a very hard shell, enclosed in a leafy sac which protrudes beyond the nut-like beak and is covered with stiff hairs. Edible.	
12	London Plane Tree Platanus x acerifolia At SE corner of 6 th Ave W and W Howe St.	Continue south on 6th Ave, cross W Howe St. Looking east (left) to SE corner there are 3 big street trees. The London Plane tree is a cross between our American sycamore and the Asian plane tree. It is a popular tree due to its tolerance of tough urban conditions. The beautiful patchwork bark is a familiar site in North American and European cities. Its huge leaves resemble the maple and the seed balls hang in 2's or 3's. Notice the many Narrowleaf Ash street trees planted by the city in 1995. Fraxinus augustifolia cv. Raywood	

13	Silk Tree Albizia julibrissin 519 W Blaine St	Now cross 6th Ave W and walk east. At 519 W Blaine St a street tree blooming beautifully in August with pink frond-like flowers. It will later develop 5"-long flat seed pods. The leaves have a feathery or "fernlike" appearance. Also known as 'Mimosa'.	
14	Golden Rain Tree Koelreuteria paniculata 1801 5th Ave. W	At NW corner of W Blaine and 5th Ave W, a spreading street tree. A popular landscape tree worldwide with compound leaves and fruit that look like little three-sided lanterns, light yellow to brown in color and containing hard, black seeds.	
15	Japanese Big Leaf Magnolia Magnolia obovata 1825 5th Ave W	Walk north to 1825 5th Ave W. A street tree with really big leaves, native to Japan and the adjacent Kurile Islands, commonly called Japanese big leaf magnolia, very fragrant creamy flowers with crimson stamens borne in May/June over huge obovate leaves, followed by big red fruit clusters.	
16	Dawn Redwood Metasequoia glyptostroboi des	Now look up into the yard for a tall slender tree with coppery bark and feathery foliage (unless it is winter). The Dawn Redwood is a deciduous conifer and an ancient tree from China. It bears small round 1/2" to 1" cones.	

17	Contorted Black Locust Robinia pseudoacacia 'Twisty Baby' 1827 5th Ave W	At 1827 5th Ave W by sidewalk is a small contorted garden tree and member of the Black Locust or Acacia family. In spring, racemes of fragrant pea-like white flowers hang from the branches. The leaves are also curly.	
18	Corkscrew Willow Salix Matsudana cv. 'Tortuosa' 415 W Howe	Continue north. At W. Howe St., turn east (right) to 415 W Howe. In front yard a tree with long, graceful curly leaves and contorted branches. The owner told me a friend gave him a "stick". He put this in the ground about 8 years ago and now has this big tree. Also called Curly Willow.	
19	Boxleaf Azara Azara microphylla 'Variegata' 1944 4th Ave W	Continue east, cross 4th Ave. W and turn north (left). At 1944 4th Ave W in yard left of stairway, the Boxleaf Azara. It is appreciated for its white-chocolate fragrance in late winter from the tiny yellow flower clusters. It has very small variegated leaves and is native to Chile and Argentina.	
20	Coast Redwood Sequoia sempervirens 2104 4th Ave W	Walk to the NE corner of 4th and W. Crockett St to 2104 4th Ave W. A commanding Coast Redwood dominates the view. Among the world's tallest trees, they thrive and are common in Seattle.	

21	Dove Tree Davidia involucrata 'Sonoma' 2104 4th Ave W	At same address on W. Crockett near driveway is a small street tree. Also called the 'handkerchief tree'. In spring it is covered with red flowers that are framed by large white bracts. When the wind blows the white bracts can look like doves or handkerchiefs. Also another small Golden Rain	
22	Bigleaf Snowbell Tree Styrax obassia 510 W. Crockett	tree nearby. Now walk west crossing 5th Ave to 510 W. Crockett. Only one street tree now as one has died. In May drooping clusters of fragrant white flowers appear followed by a gray-green egg-shaped fruit containing a single seed.	
23	California Bay Tree Umbellularia californica 519 W. Crockett	Continue to 519 W. Crockett. Also known as Oregon Myrtle. This evergreen tree from the coastal ranges of Southern Oregon and California can get quite large. The crushed leaves have a strong odor reminiscent of the Mediterranean bay. Be careful as it is much more potent and the oils can cause eye and skin irritations.	
24	English Walnut Juglans regia 2111 5th Ave W	Now reverse and walk back to 5th Ave. Turn north (left). A street tree at 2111 5th Ave W, this tree is valued for its wood and its fruit. In fact, this is the most commercially grown and eaten walnut. The tree has smooth gray bark and a broad crown. The compound leaves can have as many as 9 leaflets. The fruit has a green husk surrounding a thin shell wherein is the seed or walnut.	

25	Weeping Redbud Cercis canadensis cv. Lavender Twist 2401 5th Ave W	Walk north on 5th Ave W and cross W. McGraw St. At 2401 5th Ave W, in corner of yard is this weeping Redbud. It has small pink-purple flowers that bloom in early spring and green heart-shaped leaves that turn yellow in autumn.	
26	Western Hemlock Tsuga heterophylla 2405 5th Ave W	The Western Hemlock is a large long-living coniferous tree native to the West Coast. It produces high-quality wood and is the Washington State Tree.	
27	Kousa Dogwood Cornus kousa 516 W Smith St	At 5th Ave W and W Smith St, take a left (west) on W Smith St and had back towards Coe School. At 516 W Smith you will see a Kousa dogwood in the planting strip. In fact, you will see several of them on your way towards 6th Ave W. This tree is a standout for its year-round beauty. Spring flowers of large white bracts are followed by round red fruits which are edible. In the fall the leaves turn reddishpurple and winter shows off its attractive peeling-bark trunk. The Kousa is also resistant to dogwood anthracnose, a fungal disease that has been infecting flowering dogwoods throughout North America.	