

2012 Trees for Neighborhoods



Why Trees?

- **Increased community**
People are more likely to walk down streets lined with trees, creating opportunities for neighbors to meet.
- **Reduced stormwater**
Trees catch and absorb rain reducing the damage to the environment that can result from too much runoff.
- **Cleaner air and water**
Urban trees remove particulate matter and other pollutants from the air and water making our environment healthier for people and wildlife.
- **And much more!**

Plant Your Own Tree!

Program participants receive:

- Free trees!
- Watering bags
- Training on proper tree planting and care
- Coupon for free GroCo compost
- Ongoing care reminders and workshop opportunities

Available Species:

American hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*)
Comice pear (*Pyrus comice*)
Cornelian cherry (*Cornus mas* 'Golden Glory')
Crabapple (*Malus* 'Golden Raindrops')
Edith Bogue magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora* 'Edith Bogue')
Elm (*Ulmus* 'Frontier')
Fernleaf beech (*Fagus sylvatica* 'Asplenifolia')
Hollywood juniper (*Juniperus chinensis* 'Torulosa')
Japanese cedar (*Cryptomeria japonica* 'Yoshino')
Persian parrotia (*Parrotia persica* 'Vanessa')
Weeping Alaska cedar (*Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* 'Glauca Pendula')
Western red cedar (*Thuja plicata*)

Trees can be planted anywhere in residential yards, but must be planted at the address on the application. Permits are required if planting street trees.

Receiving a permit is not guaranteed. No permit is required for yard trees. **Tree supply is limited and applications will be accepted on a first come first served basis, so apply early!**

For more information:

www.Seattle.gov/trees | TreesforNeighborhoods@Seattle.gov | 206-615-1668

Important Dates

August 1

Applications available at www.Seattle.gov/trees

September 1

Street tree applications due; applications for yard trees still accepted

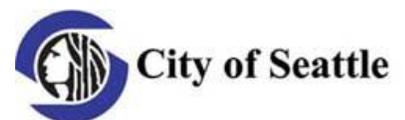
October 21

Deadline for yard tree applications

October 27 or

November 10

Attend a planting and care workshop and pick up your trees!



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AVAILABLE TREES (Limit 4 trees per household – see www.seattle.gov/trees/availabletrees.htm for pictures)

Under power lines	Evergreen or Deciduous	Approx. Height / Spread	Minimum planting strip width for street trees	Flowers / Edible Fruit?	Description
American hornbeam (<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>)	Deciduous	25' / 20'	5'	NA	Smooth greenish-grey bark with an often crooked trunk. Does well in shaded sites. Likes deep, rich, moist soils.
Cornelian cherry (<i>Cornus mas</i> 'Golden Glory')	Deciduous	22' / 18'	5'	Yellow flowers	Upright shape and glossy leaves. Bright red fruit in late summer. Flowers in the spring before leaves appear. Tolerates sun or shade and dry or moist soil.
Crabapple (<i>Malus</i> 'Golden Raindrops')	Deciduous	20' / 20'	5'	White flowers	Excellent disease resistance. Persistent tiny yellow fruit in fall and winter. Likes full sun.
Persian parrotia (<i>Parrotia persica</i> 'Vanessa')	Deciduous	25' / 14'	5'	Red flowers	Upright, vase-shaped tree with unusual red flowers in winter. Impressive orange / red fall color. Will tolerate most soil types.
Street trees (not under power lines)	Evergreen or Deciduous	Approx. Height / Spread	Minimum planting strip width for street trees	Flowers / Edible Fruit?	Description
Edith Bogue magnolia (<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> 'Edith Bogue')	Evergreen	30' / 15'	5'	White flowers	Broadleaf tree with pyramidal shape, dark green glossy leaves, and large, fragrant white flowers. Cold-hardy.
Frontier elm (<i>Ulmus</i> 'Frontier')	Deciduous	50' / 35'	6'	NA	Small green summer leaves develop into burgundy fall color which is particularly long-lasting. Resistant to Dutch elm disease.
Fernleaf beech (<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> 'Asplenifolia')	Deciduous	60' / 50'	6'	NA	Strong branches and delicate fernlike foliage. Smooth light gray bark. Oval form.

Yard trees	Evergreen or Deciduous	Approx. Height / Spread	Minimum planting strip width for street trees	Flowers / Edible Fruit?	Description
Comice pear (<i>Pyrus comice</i>)*	Deciduous	18-20' / 15'	NA	Fruit	A sweet, juicy variety of pear. Harvest in October. Needs a nearby pollenizer. OHxF 97 rootstock.
Hollywood juniper (<i>Juniperus chinensis</i> 'Torulosa')	Evergreen	15' / 10'	NA	NA	Twisted branches create a unique form. Does well in coastal environments. Drought tolerant. A nice small evergreen conifer.
Japanese cedar (<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i> 'Yoshino')	Evergreen	30-40' / 20-30'	6'	NA	Bright blue-green summer foliage becomes slightly bronze-green in cold weather. Fast growing.
Weeping Alaska cedar (<i>Chamaecyparis nootkatensis</i> 'Glauca Pendula')	Evergreen	30-40' / 10-15'	NA	NA	Flattened sprays of blue-green foliage and dramatic weeping branches. Beautiful specimen tree.
Western red cedar (<i>Thuja plicata</i>)	Evergreen	50-70' / 15-25'	8'	NA	A wonderful WA native conifer. Doesn't like dry soils. Scaly leaves rather than needles.

*Limit 1 pear tree per household

THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING YOUR TREE(S):

- Many of these trees will get big! Read descriptions carefully and envision what the tree will look like in 30+ years. Larger trees provide greater benefits to your neighborhood and our environment than smaller trees. They control more water, provide more shade in the summer, breathe in more carbon dioxide and breathe out more oxygen than smaller trees. For these reasons, the City of Seattle recommends planting larger trees whenever appropriate.
- To avoid future problems, trees must be planted at least 5 ft. from underground utility lines, 10 ft. from power poles, 20 ft. from street lights or other trees, and 30 ft. from a corner curb. To make sure your site meets minimum distance requirements, identify any underground utilities that may impact the location of your trees BEFORE you submit this application.
 - To identify where your sewer lines are, go to:
<http://web1.seattle.gov/dpd/sidesewercardsv2/>
 - To identify where your other underground utilities are, call the utility locator service at 800-424-5555. This service does not mark sewer lines.
 - Indicate that you have a "pre-planning locate request," and that you will not be digging right away, but need the sites marked **BEFORE** you submit your application. A representative from each utility will come out to mark the locations of their buried lines near your site. For more information, including color codes, visit <http://www.callbeforeyoudig.org>.
- Do not plant a tall tree under power lines. Trees planted under power lines should reach a maximum of 20' at maturity or the safety of the power lines will be compromised.
- Take time to evaluate sites on your property where trees can fit. The survival and health of a tree depends on how well it is suited to the spot that you plant it. Consider: placement (is there enough space for this tree when it grows up?), light, moisture, and type of soil.

APPLICATION APPROVAL AND TREE PICKUP:

- The trees will be in 5, 7, or 10 gallon containers. There will be people to help load your trees on the pick-up days, but you may need to make sure you have help to unload once you are home. Find a neighbor!
- The number of trees approved for your yard may be fewer than the number requested. Please note that tree availability is not guaranteed.
- If you do not own your home, you must obtain the permission of the homeowner.
- You must be present at the planting training to pick up your tree(s). All trees should be planted shortly after receiving them.
- Your young trees will not survive the dry summer without you giving them water and care! Water bags will be provided to help you water the trees in the summer.

Date Application Received:	Entered into Database:	Date Response Sent:
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This application may also be completed online at www.seattle.gov/trees/treesforneighborhoods.htm

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

EMAIL:* _____

*Email is our primary communication method. Your email will be used for this program only.

PREFERRED TREE PICKUP DATE (please check one):

Saturday, October 27

Saturday, November 10

All tree pickup and planting workshops will be held at:
 Rainier Beach Urban Farm 5513 S Cloverdale St, Seattle
 Stop by anytime between 10 am – 2 pm

TREES* (Limit 4 per household):

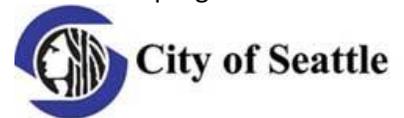
Species	Quantity**	Street tree? (Y/N)***

*Subject to availability. Trees are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Submit your application early to ensure your desired species is available.

**Limit 1 Comice pear per household

***Comice pears, Hollywood junipers, and Alaska cedars may not be planted as street trees.

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