

Swarthmore Borough Street Tree Sale, Spring 2020

Trees are now available from the Borough's Street Tree Committee to Swarthmore Borough residents who wish to plant a street tree this spring or to replace a tree that has been lost. Ordering deadline is **Tuesday, March 17**. A limited number of trees are available. Order forms are available at the Borough office or on the Borough's website (www.swarthmorepa.org). Cost of a new tree is \$125.00 including planting and mulching. Trees will be planted this spring as weather permits. For more information, please contact Karol Bock at (484) 472.8639.

LARGE TO MEDIUM-SIZED TREES - not to be planted under utility lines, requires a wide curb strip (greater than five feet)

Acer saccharum 'Fall Fiesta'--sugar maple--a large maple (60 feet tall) that is one of the most attractive trees for its scarlet fall color. This selection is one of the better maples for our area. This tree grows fast when young and it needs plenty of room for it to mature growing in full to mostly-full sun.

Cladrastis kentukea – yellowwood is a medium sized tree (30-50 feet tall) with upright branching and a rounded crown. It can grow in sun to half-shade. It is characterized by its drooping chains of white flowers in spring which have a mild sweetly-floral fragrance. This handsome tree has brilliant yellow fall color.

Quercus imbricaria – The shingle oak is a medium-sized (40-60 feet tall) shade tree native to the eastern and Midwest parts of the US. It tolerates a wide variety of soils and can withstand some drought once established. It has uncharacteristic oval-shaped leaves that are glossy and dark green with yellow-brown to red-brown autumn color. It gets its common name of shingle oak because the wood was used in the Midwest by the early settlers for shingles.

Quercus phellos – A southeastern US native, willow oak is a medium to large shade tree reaching 40 to 75 feet tall. It is very tolerant of many different soil conditions from dry to wet, and heavy clay. The foliage is similar to willows, that is with long narrow leaves. It prefers full sun to light shade and has yellow autumn color.

MEDIUM TO SMALL-SIZED TREES - suitable for planting under utility lines and in narrower curb strips (less than five feet wide)

Aesculus x carnea 'Fort McNair'— The red horsechestnut is a hybrid between a horsechestnut and a buckeye. It is a medium sized tree to 30 to 40 feet tall, with prominent rose-red flowers in May, and some resistance to foliage blotch in the summer. It prefers full sun to light shade.

Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis ‘Shademaster’ --Shademaster honeylocust is a medium-sized (45’ tall) open, airy tree that has tiny leaflets. Autumn color is a clear gold and the leaves are so small there is little to rake up. It is a strong grower and has a vase-shaped form when young, maturing into a more rounded shape.

Ostrya virginiana – the American hophornbeam is a native, east-coast tree that naturally grows below high canopy shade trees like oaks and maples. It will grow 25 to 40 feet tall and can grow in average soil in full sun to partial shade. Its leaves turn a pale yellow in the autumn. The common name hophornbeam comes from the sac-like seed-bearing pods which resemble the seed pods of the hops vine.

******Return form with payment to Borough Hall on or before March 17, 2020******

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