



**DIVISION OF
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Office of Sustainability – Louisville Forward

Master Tree List

for
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Family	Genus	Specific Epithet	Cultivar	Common Name	Size Class*	Plant Shape	Comments	Street & Parking Lot Trees	Narrow Space
Pinaceae	Abies	cilicica		cilician fir	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Abies	concolor		white fir	A	conical	silver/blue foliage		
Pinaceae	Abies	firma		Momi fir	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Abies	fraseri		fraser fir	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Abies	homolepis		niko fir	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Abies	koreana		Korean fir	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Abies	nordmanniana		Nordmann fir	A	conical	darkest green foliage		
Pinaceae	Abies	veitchii		Veitch fir	A	conical			
Aceraceae	Acer	buergerianum		trident maple	B	oval upright		X	
Aceraceae	Acer	campestre		hedge maple	B	broad rounded			
Aceraceae	Acer	carpinifolium		hornbeam maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	circinatum		Oregon vine maple	C	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	xfreemanii		Freeman maple	A	oval upright	many quality hybrids available	X	
		xfreemanii	Armstrong		A	broad columnar		X	X
		xfreemanii	Bowhall		A	columnar		X	X
Aceraceae	Acer	ginnala		Amur mample	C	broad rounded	*** potential invasive problem		
Aceraceae	Acer	glabrum		Rocky Mountain maple	A	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	griseum		paperbark maple	C	oval upright	and A. griseum hybrids		
Aceraceae	Acer	henryi		Henry maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	leucoderme		chalk-bark maple	A	oval upright		X	
Aceraceae	Acer	mandschuricum		Manchurian maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	maximowiczianu m		Nikko maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	miyabei		Miyabe maple	A	oval upright		X	
Aceraceae	Acer	nigrum		black maple	A	oval upright		X	
Aceraceae	Acer	palmatum		Japanese maple	C	broad rounded			
Aceraceae	Acer	pensylvanicum		Moosewood	C	oval upright			
	Acer	rubrum			A	oval upright		X	
		rubrum	Columnaris		A	columnar		X	X
Aceraceae	Acer	saccharinum		silver maple	A	oval upright	for naturalizing only - weak wooded		
Aceraceae	Acer	saccharum		sugar maple	A	oval upright		X	



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Aceraceae	Acer	tataricum		tatarian maple	C	upright arching			
Aceraceae	Acer	tegmentosum		Manchestriped maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	triflorum		three-flowered maple	B	oval upright			
Aceraceae	Acer	truncatum		purpleblow maple	B	round		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	chinensis		Chinese buckeye	A	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	glabra		Ohio buckeye	B	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	flava		yellow buckeye	A	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	hippocastanum		horsechestnut	A	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	parviflora		bottlebrush buckeye	C	broad spreading			
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	turbinata		Japanese horsechestnut	B	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	xcarnea		red horsechestnut	B	oval upright		X	
Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus	pavia		red buckeye	C	oval upright			
Betulaceae	Alnus	glutinosa		European alder	B	oval upright		X	
Betulaceae	Alnus	cordata		Italian alder	B	oval upright		X	
Betulaceae	Alnus	incana		gray alder	B	oval upright			
Rosaceae	Amelanchier	arborea		downy serviceberry	C	oval upright		X	
Rosaceae	Amelanchier	laevis		Allegheny serviceberry	C	oval upright		X	
Rosaceae	Amelanchier	canadensis		shadblow serviceberry	C	oval upright			
Rosaceae	Amelanchier	x grandiflora		apple serviceberry	C	oval upright		X	
Betulaceae	Betula	lenta		sweet birch	A	oval upright	ssp. <i>uber</i> superior form in KY		
Betulaceae	Betula	nigra		river birch	A	upright arching			
Betulaceae	Betula	populifolia		gray birch	B	oval upright			
Cupressaceae	Calocedrus	decurrens		California incensecedar	B	columnar			
Betulaceae	Carpinus	betulus		European hornbeam	B	broad rounded	including columnar forms	X	
Betulaceae	Carpinus	caroliniana		American hornbeam	B	broad rounded		X	
Betulaceae	Carpinus	cordata		heartleaf hornbeam	B	broad rounded		X	
Betulaceae	Carpinus	japonica		Japanese hornbeam	B	broad rounded		X	
Juglandaceae	Carya	cordiformis		bitternut hickory	A	oval upright		X	



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Juglandaceae	Carya	glabra		pignut hickory	A	oval upright			
Juglandaceae	Carya	illinoensis		pecan	A	broad rounded			
Juglandaceae	Carya	ovata		shagbark hickory	A	oval upright			
Juglandaceae	Carya	tomentosa		mockernut hickory	A	round			
Fagaceae	Castanea	mollissima		Chinese chestnut	B	broad rounded			
Fagaceae	Castanea	dentata hybrids		hybrid chestnut	A	oval upright	American Chestnut Foundation and Dunstan		
Bignoniaceae	Catalpa	speciosa		northern catalpa	A	oval upright		X	
Bignoniaceae	Catalpa	bignonioides		southern catalpa	B	broad rounded		X	
Pinaceae	Cedrus	atlantica		Atlas cedar	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Cedrus	libani var. stenocoma		cedar of Lebanon	A	conical			
Ulmaceae	Celtis	occidentalis		common hackberry	A	oval upright		X	
Ulmaceae	Celtis	laevigata		sugar hackberry	A	oval upright		X	
Cercidiphyllaceae	Cercidiphyllum	japonicum		katsuratree	B	round			
Fabaceae	Cercis	canadensis		Eastern redbud	C	round		X	
Cupressaceae	Chamaecyparis	obtusa		hinoki falsecypress	C	conical			
Cupressaceae	Chamaecyparis	pisifera		Japanese falsecypress	B	conical			
Cupressaceae	Chamaecyparis	thyoides		Atlantic whitecedar	A	columnar			
Cupressaceae	Chamaecyparis	nootkatensis		Alaska cedar	A	oval upright			
Oleaceae	Chionanthus	virginicus		American Fringetree	C	round			
Oleaceae	Chionanthus	retusus		Chinese fringetree	C	broad rounded			
Fabaceae	Cladrastis	kentukeya		American yellowwood	B	broad rounded		X	
Cornaceae	Cornus	alternifolia		pagoda dogwood	C	round			
Cornaceae	Cornus	florida		flowering dogwood	C	broad spreading			
Cornaceae	Cornus	kousa		kousa dogwood	C	broad rounded			
Cornaceae	Cornus	mas		corneliancherry dogwood	C	broad rounded			
Cornaceae	Cornus	officinalis		Japanese cornel dogwood	C	oval upright			
Cornaceae	Cornus	xrutgersensis		Rutgers hybrid dogwood	C	broad rounded			
Cornaceae	Cornus	x		hybrid dogwood	C	broad rounded	various hybrids such as Venus®		
Betulaceae	Corylus	colurna		Turkish filbert	A	conical		X	



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Betulaceae	Corylus	fargesii		Farge's filbert	A	oval upright		X	
Anacardiaceae	Cotinus	cogygria		smokebush	C	oval upright			
Anacardiaceae	Cotinus	obovatus		American smoketree	C	oval upright			
Rosaceae	Crataegus	crusgalli		cockspur hawthorne	C	broad spreading			
Rosaceae	Crataegus	laevigata		English hawthorne	C	broad rounded			
Rosaceae	Crataegus	mollis		downy hawthorne	C	broad rounded		X	
Rosaceae	Crataegus	phaenopyrum		Washington hawthorn	C	oval upright		X	
Rosaceae	Crataegus	viridis		green hawthorn	C	broad rounded		X	
Taxodiaceae	Cryptomeria	japonica		Japanese cryptomeria	A	conical			
Taxodiaceae	Cunninghamia	lanceolata		Chinafir	A	conical			
Ebenaceae	Diospyros	virginiana		common persimon	B	oval upright			
Eucommiaceae	Eucommia	ulmoides		hardy rubber tree	B	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Fagus	grandifolia		American beech	A	broad rounded			
Fagaceae	Fagus	sylvatica		European beech	A	oval upright			
Theaceae	Franklinia	alamatama		Franklin tree	C	broad rounded	limited cold tolerance		
Ginkgoaceae	Ginkgo	biloba		maidenhair tree	A	round	specify males to avoid seed	X	
Fabaceae	Gleditsia	triacanthos	var. inermis	thornless common honeylocust	A	round	thronless forms only recommended	X	
Fabaceae	Gymnocladus	dioicus		Kentucky coffeetree	A	oval upright	use male forms	X	
Fabaceae	Gymnocladus	dioicus		female	A	oval upright			
Styracaceae	Halesia	tetraptera		Carolina silverbell	B	oval upright			
Styracaceae	Halesia	diptera		two-winged silverbell	B	oval upright			
Styracaceae	Halesia	monticola		mountain silverbell	B	oval upright			
Hamamelidaceae	Hamamelis	japonica		Japanese witchhazel	C	oval upright			
Hamamelidaceae	Hamamelis	mollis		Chinese witchhazel	C	oval upright			
Hamamelidaceae	Hamamelis	virginiana		common witchhazel	C	round			
Hamamelidaceae	Hamamelis	xintermedia		hybrid witchhazel	C	oval upright			
Rhamnaceae	Hovenia	dulcis		Japanese raisintree	B	oval upright			
Aquifoliaceae	Ilex	decidua		possumhaw	C	round			
Aquifoliaceae	Ilex	opaca		American holly	B	conical			



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Aquifoliaceae	Ilex	xattenuata	Fosteri	Foster holly	C				
Juglandaceae	Juglans	cinerea		butternut	A	oval upright			
Juglandaceae	Juglans	nigra		black walnut	A	round			
Juglandaceae	Juglans	regia		English walnut	A	round			
Cupressaceae	Juniperus	chinensis		Chinese juniper	A	conical			
Cupressaceae	Juniperus	virginiana		eastern redcedar	B	oval upright			
Araliaceae	Kalopanax	septemlobus		castor aralia	A	oval upright		X	
Sapindaceae	Koelreuteria	paniculata		goldenraintree	B	round	potential invasiveness problem	X	
Lythraceae	Lagerstroemia	indica		common crepemyrtle	C	upright arching			
Lythraceae	Lagerstroemia	faurei		crepemyrtle	C	upright arching			
Pinaceae	Larix	decidua		European larch	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Larix	kaempferi		Japanese larch	A	conical			
Hamamelidaceae	Liquidambar	styraciflua		sweetgum	A	oval upright		X	
		styraciflua	Slender Silhouette		A	columnar		X	X
Magnoliaceae	Liriodendron	tulipifera		tuliptree	A	oval upright		X	
Fabaceae	Maackia	amurensis		Amur maackia	B	round		X	
Moraceae	Maclura	pomifera		thornless osage orange	B	round	thornless forms only for cultivated areas	X	
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	acuminata		cucumber magnolia	A	oval upright		X	
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	denudata		Yulan magnolia	B	pyramidal			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	grandiflora		southern magnolia	A	oval upright			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	hybrids		hybrid magnolia		various			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	kobus		kobus magnolia	C	oval upright			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	liliflora		lily magnolia	C	round			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	xloebneri		Loebner magnolia	C	oval upright			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	macrophylla		bigleaf magnolia	B	round			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	xsoulangiana		saucer magnolia	B	round			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	sieboldii		oyama magnolia	C	oval upright			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	stellata		star magnolia	C	oval upright			
Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	tripetala		umbrella magnolia	B	round			



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Magnoliaceae	Magnolia	virginiana		sweetbay magnolia	B	oval upright			
Rosaceae	Malus			crabapple	C		look for most disease- resistant cultivars	X	
				crabapple	C		fruitless/upright cultivars	X	X
Taxodiaceae	Metasequoia	glyptostroboidea		dawn redwood	A	conical		X	
Nyssaceae	Nyssa	aquatica		water tupelo	A	oval upright			
Nyssaceae	Nyssa	sylvatica		black tupelo or blackgum	B	oval upright		X	
Betulaceae	Ostrya	japonica		Japanese hophornbeam	B	broad spreading		X	
Betulaceae	Ostrya	virginiana		Eastern hophornbeam	B	round		X	
Ericaceae	Oxydendrum	arboreum		sourwood	B	oval upright			
Hamamelidaceae	Parrotia	persica		Persian parrotia	B	oval upright		X	
		persica	Vanessa		B	broad columnar		X	X
Hamamelidaceae	Parrotia	subaequalis		Chinese parrotia	B	round			
Rutaceae	Phellodendron	amurense		Amur corktree	B	broad spreading			X
Pinaceae	Picea	abies		Norway spruce	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Picea	glauca		white spruce	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Picea	omorika		Serbian spruce	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Picea	orientalis		Oriental spruce	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Picea	pungens		Colorado spruce	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Pinus	bungeana		lacebark pine	B	oval upright			
Pinaceae	Pinus	densiflora		Japanese red pine	A	broad rounded			
Pinaceae	Pinus	flexilis		limber pine	A	broad rounded			
Pinaceae	Pinus	koraiensis		Korean pine	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Pinus	nigra		Austrian pine	A	oval upright			
Pinaceae	Pinus	parviflora		Japanese white pine	A	broad spreading			
Pinaceae	Pinus	rigida		pitch pine	B	irregular			
Pinaceae	Pinus	strobiformis		Mexican white pine	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Pinus	strobus		white pine	A	oval upright			
Pinaceae	Pinus	sylvestris		Scotch pine	B	oval upright			
Pinaceae	Pinus	thunbergii		Japanese black pine	B	irregular			



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Pinaceae	Pinus	virginiana		Virginia pine	A	oval upright			
Pinaceae	Pinus	wallichiana		Himalayan pine	A	broad rounded			
Pinaceae	Pinus	xacayahuite		hybrid pine	A	oval upright			
Anacardiaceae	Pistacia	chinensis		Chinese pistache	B	round		X	
Platanaceae	Platanus	x acerifolia		London planetree	A	round		X	
Platanaceae	Platanus	occidentalis		sycamore	A	round	for naturalizing, anthracnose susceptible	X	
Flacourtiaceae	Poliothysis	sinensis		poliothysis	B	oval upright			
Salicaceae	Populus	deltoides		eastern cottonwood	A	oval upright		X	
Rosaceae	Prunus	cerasifera	Atropurpurea	purple leaf plum	C	oval upright		X	
Rosaceae	Prunus	padus		European birdcherry	B	round		X	
Rosaceae	Prunus	sargentii		Sargent cherry	B	round		X	
		sargentii	Columnaris		B	columnar		X	X
Rosaceae	Prunus	serrulata		Japanese flowering cherry	C	broad rounded		X	
		serrulata	Kwanzan		C	broad rounded		X	
Rosaceae	Prunus	subhirtella	Pendula	Higan cherry	B	round	many cultivars available		
Rosaceae	Prunus	x yedoensis		Yoshino cherry	B	broad rounded		X	
Rosaceae	Prunus			hybrid cherries	C	various	avoid most disease susceptible selections		
Pinaceae	Pseudolarix	amabilis		golden larch	B	conical			
Pinaceae	Pseudotsuga	menziesii		douglasfir	A	conical			
Fagaceae	Quercus	acutissima		sawtooth oak	A	broad rounded		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	alba		white oak	A	broad rounded		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	bicolor		swamp white oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	coccinea		scarlet oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	dentata		Daimyo oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	ellipsoidalis		northern pin oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	falcata		southern red oak	A	round		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	hybrids					many quality hybrids available	X	
			Crimson Spire		A		Columnar	X	X



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			Regal Prince		A		Columnnar	X	X
			Bonnie & Mike		A		Columnnar	X	X
Fagaceae	Quercus	imbricaria		shingle oak	A	pyramidal		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	lyrata		overcup oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	macrocarpa		bur oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	marilandica		blackjack oak	C	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	muehlenbergii		chinkapin oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	nigra		water oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	texana		Nuttall oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	palustris		pin oak	A	oval upright		X	
		palustris	Pringreen (Green Pillar™)		A	columnnar		X	X
Fagaceae	Quercus	phellos		willow oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	montana		chestnut oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	robur		English oak	A	broad rounded		X	
		robur	Fastigiata		A	columnnar		X	X
Fagaceae	Quercus	rubra		red oak	A	round		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	shumardii		Shumard oak	A	oval upright		X	
Fagaceae	Quercus	stellata		post oak	B	oval upright		X	
Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus	caroliniana		Carolina buckthorn	C	round			
Fabaceae	Robinia	pseudoacacia		black locust	A	oval upright			
Lauraceae	Sassafras	albidum		common sassafras	B	oval upright		X	
Pinaceae	Sciadopitys	verticillata		umbrella pine	B	conical			
Rosaceae	Sorbus	alnifolia		Korean moutnainash	B	oval upright			
Theaceae	Stewartia	koreana		Korean stewartia	C	oval upright			
Theaceae	Stewartia	malacodendron		silky stewartia	C	oval upright			
Theaceae	Stewartia	monadelpha		tall stewartia	C	pyramidal			
Theaceae	Stewartia	rostrata			C	oval upright			
Theaceae	Stewartia	ovata		mountain stewartia	C	oval upright			
Theaceae	Stewartia	pseudocamellia		Japanese stewartia	B	oval upright			
Fabaceae	Styphnolobium	japonicum		scholartree		round		X	
Styracaceae	Styrax	japonicus		Japanese snowbell	C	broad rounded			
Styracaceae	Styrax	obassia		fragrant snowbell	C	oval upright			



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Oleaceae	Syringa	pekinensis		Pekin lilac	C	oval upright		X	
Oleaceae	Syringa	reticulata		Japanese tree lilac	C	oval upright		X	
Taxodiaceae	Taxodium	ascendens		pondcypress	A	conical		X	
Taxodiaceae	Taxodium	distichum		common baldcypress	A	conical		X	
Taxaceae	Taxus	baccata		English yew	C	round			
Taxaceae	Taxus	cuspidata		Japanese yew	C	variable			
Taxaceae	Taxus	xmedia		Anglojap yew	C	variable			
Cupressaceae	Thuja	occidentalis		Eastern arborvitae	B	columnar			
Cupressaceae	Thuja	plicata		giant arborvitae	A	conical			
Tiliaceae	Tilia	americana		basswood	A	oval upright		X	
Tiliaceae	Tilia	cordata		littleleaf linden	A	oval upright		X	
Tiliaceae	Tilia	petiolaris		pendant silver linden	A	oval upright		X	
Tiliaceae	Tilia	xeuchlora		Crimean linden	A	oval upright		X	
Tiliaceae	Tilia	xeuropa		European linden	A	oval upright		X	
Tiliaceae	Tilia	tomentosa		silver linden	A	oval upright		X	
Pinaceae	Tsuga	canadensis		Canadian hemlock	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Tsuga	chinensis		Chinese hemlock	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Tsuga	diversifolia		northern Japanese hemlock	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Tsuga	heterophylla		western hemlock	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Tsuga	mertensiana		mountain hemlock	A	conical			
Pinaceae	Tsuga	caroliniana		Carolina hemlock	A	conical			
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	alata		winged elm	B	round		X	
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	americana		American elm	A	upright arching	only disease resistant selections such as	X	
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	crassifolia		cedar elm	A	round		X	
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	propinqua			A	oval upright		X	
		propinqua	Emerald Sunshine		A			X	
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	hybrids		hybrid elm	A	oval upright	disease-resistant hybrids	X	
			Jefferson		A	upright arching		X	
			Patriot		A	upright arching		X	
			Triumph		A	upright arching		X	
Ulmaceae	Zelkova	serrata		Japanese zelkova	A	oval upright		X	
		serrata	Musashino		A	columnar		X	X



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Ulmaceae	Zelkova	carpinifolia		Caucasian zelkova	A	oval upright		X	
Ulmaceae	Zelkova	sinica		Chinese zelkova	A	oval upright		X	
Ulmaceae	Ziziphus	jujuba		Chinese date	B	oval upright			



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Aceraceae	Acer	platanoides		Norway maple	A	round	invasive		
Simaroubaceae	Ailanthus	altissima		tree of heaven	A	oval upright	invasive		
Fabaceae	Albizia	julibrissin		mimosa	C	round	invasive		
Elaeagnaceae	Elaeagnus	angustifolia		Russian olive	C	oval upright	invasive		
Elaeagnaceae	Elaeagnus	umbellata		autumn olive	C	round	invasive		
Oleaceae	Fraxinus	species		ash	A		emerald ash borer susceptible		
Moraceae	Morus	alba		white mulberry	C	round	invasive		
Scrophulariaceae	Paulownia	tomentosa		royal paulonia	A	oval upright	invasive		
Rosaceae	Pyrus	calleryana		callery pear	C	oval upright	invasive; including 'Bradford' and other		
Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus	cathartica		common buckthorn	C	oval upright	invasive		
Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus	frangula		tall buckthorn	C	oval upright	invasive		
Euphorbiaceae	Triadica	sebifera		Chinese tallow tree	B	upright oval	invasive		
Ulmaceae	Ulmus	pumila		Chinese elm	B	upright oval	invasive		