



PUBLIC WORKS
FORESTRY DIVISION



Approved Street Tree List for Colorado Springs

LARGE (OVER 45ft) Minimum 40ft spacing recommended between trees		Water Use	Okay Under Powerlines	Considerations
Common Name	Scientific Name			
Catalpa	<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	Low	No	Large seed pods
Elm hybrid sp.	<i>Ulmus sp. hybrids</i>	Low-Med	No	Scale insect issues
Ginkgo (<i>male only</i>)	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Med	No	Slow growing
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Low	No	
Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	Low	No	
Kentucky Coffeetree	<i>Gymnocladus dioica</i>	Low	No	Seedless varieties available
Linden, American	<i>Tilia americana</i>	Med	No	Not tolerant of road salts
Linden, Silver	<i>Tilia tomentosa</i>	Med	No	Not tolerant of road salts
London Planetree	<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>	Med-High	No	Needs protected site
Maple, Freeman: <i>i.e.</i> Autumn Blaze, Armstrong, Sienna Glen, <i>etc.</i>	<i>Acer Freemanii</i>	Med	No	Chlorotic in alkaline soils
Maple, Sugar	<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Med	No	Chlorotic in alkaline soils
Oak, Bur	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Low	No	Large acorns
Oak, Chinkapin	<i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i>	Low-Med	No	
Oak, English	<i>Quercus robur</i>	Low-Med	No	
Oak, Pin	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	Med	No	Chlorotic in alkaline soils
Oak, Red	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	Med	No	
Oak, Shumard	<i>Quercus shumardii</i>	Med	No	
Oak, Swamp White	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	Low-Med	No	
Oak, Texas Red	<i>Quercus buckleyi</i>	Low	No	
Oak sp., Columnar	<i>Quercus sp. 'Fastigiata'</i>	Low-Med	No	Narrow, upright form
Ponderosa Pine	<i>Pinus ponderosa</i>	Low	No	Mountain pine beetle issues
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Common Name	Scientific Name			
Amur Corktree (<i>male only</i>)	<i>Phellodendron amurense</i>	Low-Med	Maybe	
Crabapple sp. (<i>fruitless only</i>) <i>i.e.</i> Spring Snow	<i>Malus sp.</i>	Low-Med	Maybe	Non-fruiting varieties only
Golden Raintree	<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Low	Maybe	

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Japanese Pagoda tree	<i>Styphnolobium, japonicum</i>	Low	No	Needs protected site
Japanese Tree Lilac	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>	Low-Med	Maybe	Needs protected site
Linden, Littleleaf	<i>Tilia cordata</i>	Med	No	Not tolerant of road salts
Maple, Bigtooth (<i>single stem only</i>)	<i>Acer grandidentatum</i>	Low	No	
Maple, Miyabe/ State Street	<i>Acer miyabei</i>	Low-Med	No	
Maple, Norway	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Med	No	Leaf scorch, aphids
Maple, Red	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Med	No	Chlorotic in alkaline soils
Mountain Ash	<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	Med	No	
Ohio Buckeye	<i>Aesculus glabra</i>	Med	No	Large seed pods
Ussurian Pear sp. (<i>fruitless only</i>) <i>i.e. Prairie Gem, Burgundy, Mt. Frost, etc.</i>	<i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i>	Low-Med	Maybe	Non-fruiting varieties only; Fireblight
Callery Pear sp. (<i>fruitless only</i>) <i>i.e. Autumn Blaze, Aristocrat, Chanticleer, Cleveland Select, Capital, Redsoire, etc.</i>	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	Low-Med	Maybe	Non-fruiting varieties only; Fireblight
Turkish Filbert	<i>Corylus colurna</i>	Low-Med	No	
SMALL (UP TO 25ft) Minimum 25ft spacing recommended between trees		Water Use	Okay Under Powerlines	Considerations
Common Name	Scientific Name			
Chokecherry, Amur	<i>Prunus maackii</i>	Low-Med	Yes	
Chokecherry (<i>single trunk only</i>) <i>i.e. 'Sucker Punch'</i>	<i>Prunus x virginiana</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Other varieties prone to suckering
Hawthorn (<i>thornless only</i>)	<i>Crataegus sp.</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Wide spreading growth habit
Maple, Amur	<i>Acer ginnala</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Wide spreading growth habit
Maple, Tatarian	<i>Acer tataricum</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Wide spreading growth habit
Plum, Newport	<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Typically fruitless
Plum, 'Princess Kay'	<i>Prunus nigra</i>	Low-Med	Yes	Typically fruitless
Redbud (<i>single trunk only</i>)	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Med	Yes	Needs protected site