

Recommended Street Trees for the City of Grosse Pointe

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NATIVE?	ATTRIBUTES	USDA NRCS Plant Database Link
SMALL		Under 30' at Maturity		
Eastern Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Yes	Purple flowers cling to stem, bark	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=CECA4
Japanese Tree Lilac	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>	No	Fragrant flowers & suitable under utility	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=SYRE2
Kousa Dogwood	<i>Cornus kousa</i>	No	Showy June flowers, hardier than native	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=COKO2
Red Crabapple	<i>Malus sp.</i>	Some	Beautiful red spring flowers	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=MALUS
White Crabapple	<i>Malus sp.</i>	Some	Beautiful white spring flowers	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=MALUS
MEDIUM		25' - 40' at Maturity		
Callery Pear	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	No	Known for white spring flowers	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=PYCA80
Hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	Yes	Unusual, underutilized street tree	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=OSVI
Littleleaf Linden	<i>Tilia cordata</i>	No	Dense canopy with fragrant flowers	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=TICO2
River Birch	<i>Betula nigra</i>	Yes	Beautiful exfoliating bark, single stem	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=BENI
LARGE		Over 40' at Maturity		
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Yes	Impressive oak with wooly acorns	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=QUMA2
Ginkgo (males only)	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	No	A living fossil dating 270 million years ago. A shade and an ornamental with fan-shaped leaves. Endangered (IUCN)	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=GINKG
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Yes	Hardy with interesting bark	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=CEOC
London Planetree	<i>Platanus acerfolia</i>	No	Less susceptible to anthracnose than native sycamore	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=PLHI
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Yes	Fast growing, brilliant red leaves in fall	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=ACRU
Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	Yes	Host to over 500 native caterpillars	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=QURU
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Yes	Native maple with fantastic fall color	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=ACSA3
Tuliptree	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	Yes	Tallest tree in Michigan	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=LITU
White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>	Yes	Slow growing majestic shade tree	https://plants.usda.gov/core/profile?symbol=QUAL

*Other species will be considered on an individual basis.

*Dependent on availability.

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