TREE LIST City of Kirkland Staff Recommendations



This list of tree recommendations is intended as a starting point to help guide you on your search for a tree for your landscape. The more information you have about your landscape's conditions and a tree's specific needs before you purchase a tree, the better. By creating a plan and selecting trees wisely, you'll avoid costly errors, reduce maintenance, and enjoy a beautiful, healthy yard.







Please note that all trees might not be readily available. If you cannot find a specific tree from this list, consult the staff at your local tree nursery. They might be able to offer advice on alternatives that would work well in your yard's growing conditions.











Flowers-yes



Deciduous

Evergreen 🐉

Fall color- yes

SHORLL	REES ,			
Less than	30' tall	(requires	20'- 30'	spacing)

Leas than 50 tall (requires 20 50 spacing)												
Common name	Botanical name	Deciduous/ Evergreen	Native?	Mature Height (ft)	Mature Width (ft)	Growth rate	Exposure - Sun/part/ shade	Drought Tolerant?	Shape	Flowers?	Fall color?	Notes
Dogwood	Cornus spp	varies		varies	varies	varies	(varies	(3)(3)		Many species and varieties
Japanese Maple	Acer palmatum	9		25	25	slow						Attractive foliage
Japanese Snowbell	Styrax japonicus	q		25	25	slow		Yes		(3)		Fragrant, showy flowers
Japanese Stewartia	Stewartia pseudocamellia	q		25	12	slow		Yes	4	(3)		Attractive peeling bark
Vine Maple	Acer circinatum	q	Yes	20	20	moderate		Yes	multi- stem			

Japanese Stewartia



MEDIUM TREES

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30' to 50'	' tall (requires 30'- 40'	spacing)

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Common name	Botanical name	Deciduous/ Evergreen	Native?	Mature Height (ft)	Mature Width (ft)	Growth rate	Exposure - Sun/part/ shade	Drought Tolerant?	Shape	Flowers?	Fall color?	Notes
Eastern Redbud	Cercis canadensis	P		35	25	moderate		Yes		(3)		Showy flowers
Katsura Tree	Cercidiphyllum japonicum	P		40	40	slow					\$	Heart-shaped leaves
Little-Leaf Linden	Tilia cordata	q		30	20	moderate			•			Fragrant, showy flowers
Pacific Dogwood	Cornus nuttallii	q	Yes	35	20	moderate		Yes		(3)		Fragrant, showy flowers
Paperbark Maple	Acer griseum	q		30	25	slow			•			Attractive peeling, reddish bark



TALL TREES Over 50' tall (requires 40'-50' spacing)

Tulip Tree

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Common name	Botanical name	Deciduous/ Evergreen	Native?	Mature Height (ft)	Mature Width (ft)	Growth rate	Exposure - Sun/part/ shade	Drought Tolerant?	Shape	Flowers?	Fall color?	Notes
Dawn Redwood	Metasequoia glyptostro- boides	q ^o		70	25	fast	©		4			Fine, feathery leaves
Garry Oak	Quercus garryana	f	Yes	50	40	slow	©	Yes				Reddish-brown acorns, attractive gray bark
Grand Fir	Abies grandis	*	Yes	100	30	moderate			4			Glossy, dark green needles
Red Oak	Quercus rubra	q ⁰		60	45	fast	©	Yes				Brown acorns, excellent fall foliage
Tulip Tree	Liriodendron tulipifera	q ^o		60	30	fast	©	Yes	4	(3)		Tulip-shaped flowers
Western Red Cedar	Thuja plicata	*	Yes	50	25	moderate		Yes	4			Graceful, spreading branches

NARROW TREES 10' to 20' wide (requires 20'-30' spacing)

Eastern Red Cedar

10 to 20 wide (requires 20 - 30 spacing)												
Common name	Botanical name	Deciduous/ Evergreen	Native?	Mature Height (ft)	Mature Width (ft)	Growth rate	Exposure - Sun/part/ shade	Drought Tolerant?	Shape	Flowers?	Fall color?	Notes
Eastern Red Cedar	Juniperus virginiana	*		40	20	moderate	©	Yes	4			Gray to reddish-brown peeling bark
Hinoki Cypress	Chamaecyparis obtusa	*		25	15	moderate			4			Attractive red peeling bark
Incense Cedar	Calocedrus decurrens	*		40	15	moderate		Yes	4			Dark green, fragrant leaves
Mountain Hemlock	Tsuga mertensiana	*	Yes	30	18	slow		Yes	4			Narrow, asymmetrical shape
Serbian Spruce	Picea omorika	*		60	20	moderate			4			Thin arching branches, slender trunk







RESOURCES

City of Kirkland Trees and Landscaping Page

https://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/planning/Topics/Trees_and_Landscaping.htm
Tree and landscaping resources for Kirkland, including recommended tree
and plant lists.

Great Plant Picks

https://www.greatplantpicks.org/

Lists of trees and other landscape plants for a variety of site conditions. Includes list of recommended Northwest native plants.

King County Native Plant Guide

https://green2.kingcounty.gov/gonative

Browse or search a database of native plants, find native plants appropriate for your site conditions, check out example native landscaping plans for various site conditions.

Arbor Day Foundation

https://www.arborday.org/trees

A variety of tree-related resources including tree identification and tree selection guidance.





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