City of Hailey

Tree Selection & Planting Guide



City of Hailey and Trees for Hailey





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INTRODUCTION

The Wood River Valley is a land of many contrasts. Compare the native vegetation of the high desert plains, evergreen-studded hills, and lush floodplains to the cultured "forest" of city trees, some established near the turn of the century. The mosaic of varied textures and colors adds to the beauty of the valley and the quality of our lifestyle.

Trees...we need them to create shade, to break the wind, to make our houses "homes", to encourage wildlife use, to protect our soils, and to provide us with a multitude of products. WE can directly improve our URBAN forest by choosing tree types adapted to our landscape, finding good planting sites, and continuing to care for and nurture the trees around our homes, parks and schools.

This guide has been prepared for the purpose of helping you make better choices when preparing to plant trees. It is not meant to replace the advice of professionals, only to help you define some options and better understand the ramifications of your choices.

This brochure outlines four basic steps to ensure the success of your plantings. They are:

*SITE SELECTION *TREE SELECTION *PLANTING *TREE CARE





Locating good planting sites is the first logical step for planting success. Before planting check the following site conditions:

- 1. Available growing space (for mature height, spread, and roots)
- 2. Soils: acid or alkaline, well-drained or not, fertile or not
- 3. Existing landscape and your desired results
- 4. Overhead or underground utility conflicts, call Idaho Power & Light Digline #1-800-342-1585 two days before planting
- 5. Right of way or easement restrictions, call City of Hailey for permit and conditions to plant in Right of Way
- 6. Water availability
- 7. Sunny or shady site, excessive wind or temperature extremes
- 8. Possible abuse: by people, animals, vehicles, lawn mowers

TREE SELECTION:

After you have located good planting sites, you can investigate types of trees which would be appropriate. Trees in the Hailey Right of Way, parks, schools, and cemetary were surveyed in 1994. A total of 2,244 trees with an estimated urban tree value of \$1,500,000 were tabulated.

City trees by percentage of species:

Aspen 28%

Green Ash 5% Norway Maple 4%

Spruce 19%

Willow 3%

Cottonwood 11%
Boxelder 6%

Other(34 species) 24%

Many cities nationwide have adopted a goal of no more than 15% of any single tree species in their urban forest. This helps to guard against the destruction of individual species by disease epidemics or insect outbreaks such as Dutch Elm Disease. This strategy could also help protect Hailey from losing a large number of trees at one time.

Match TREE characterisitics to SITE:

- 1. Mature tree size matches site growing space
- 2. Sun or shade requirements for tree species matches site
- 3. Soil type matches needs of tree
- 4. Deciduous trees used where "solar friendly" trees are desired
- 5. Species proven hardy, consult professional if not known
- 6. Root system such as shallow, invasive types not planted adjacent to underground utilities, or pavement
- 7. Water requirements of tree match site and adjacent plantings
- 8. Trees chosen will not produce unwanted seeds or fruit
- 9. Many types of trees are used to increase overall diversity
- 10. Possible insect and disease threats are acceptable
- 11. Selected trees will complement existing landscape of your home
- 12. Balance of rapid growing & short lived species planted with slow growing & long lived species
- 13. Durable species planted in areas of higher abuse and stress



The following trees are generally available at local nurseries and represent species proven to be hardy in Hailey. Some tree cultivars are more hardy that others so again consult local professionals. Hailey is in Zone 4 for cold-hardiness.

SMALL EVERGREEN: (less than 25 ft. tall)

- 1. Juniper, Rocky Mountain
- 2. Pine, Bristlecone
- 3. Pine, Singleleaf
- 4. Spruce, Dwarf Alberta

SMALL DECIDUOUS: (less than 25 ft. tall)

- 5. Alder, various
- 6. Apple, various
- 7. Apricot
- 8. Ash, Mountain
- 9. Cherry, Sour
- 10. Chokecherry, various
- 11. Crabapple, various
- 12. Hawthorn, various
- 13. Lilac, Japanese Tree
- 14. Maple, Amur
- 15. Maple, Bigtooth
- 16. May Day Tree
- 17. Oak, Gambel
- 18. Olive, Russian
- 19. Pear, various
- 20. Plum, various

MEDIUM EVERGREEN: (25 to 50 ft. tall)

- 21. Pine, Austrian
- 22. Pine, Limber
- 23. Pine, Scotch
- 24. Spruce, Black Hills

MEDIUM DECIDUOUS: (25 to 50 ft. tall)

- 25. Ash, Green
- 26. Aspen
- 27. Birch, White Bark
- 28. Birch, Red Bark
- 29. Boxelder, various
- 30. Linden, Littleleaf
- 31. Locust, Black

LARGE EVERGREEN: (over 50 ft. tall)

- 32. Fir, Douglas
- 33. Fir, True
- 34. Pine, Lodgepole
- 35. Pine, Ponderosa
- 36 Spruce, Colorado Blue
- 37. Spruce, various

LARGE DECIDUOUS: (over 50 ft. tall)

- 38. Cottonwood, Black
- 39. Elm, varieties
- 40. Linden, American
- 41. Maple, Norway
- 42. Maple, Red
- 43. Maple, Silver
- 44. Poplar, hybrid
- 45. Poplar, White
- 47. Willow, varieties

SMALL trees (Class I, less then 25 feet tall when mature) are appropriate to plant under power lines.

MEDIUM trees (Class II, 25 feet to 50 feet tall) are appropriate shade trees if planted away from power lines and structures.

LARGE trees (Class III, over 50 feet when mature) must be used carefully in the landscape to not create excessive shade, visibility restriction, or increase costly maintenance needs in the future.

DECIDUOUS trees lose their leaves annually, EVERGREEN trees retain their needles/leaves longer than one year.

Trees NOT Recommended For Planting in Right of Way

- Aspen
- Poplar
- Boxelder
- Silver Maple
- Cottonwood
- Willow

1. Juniper, Rocky Mountain

Scientific Name: Juniperus scopulorum

Small Everareen



FORM:

Pyramidal

HEIGHT:

20 - 25 Ft. 10-15 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

Fibrous, Spreading

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Blue berries

FOLIAGE:

Bluish Green needle

GROW RATE: Slow LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Tolerant, prefers well-drained

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Good drought tolerant species, native to

Idaho

LIMITATIONS:

Slow growth, needle drop inhibits

undergrowth

WHERE TO SEE:

Windbreak at HWY, 93 and road to

Jerome.

2. Pine, Bristlecone

Scientific Name: Pinus aristata

Small Evergreen



FORM:

Irregular

HEIGHT:

8-20 Ft. 5-10 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE:

Blue green needle

GROW RATE: Slow LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full sun

Well drained SOILS:

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, native species

LIMITATIONS:

Slow growing, won't tolerate excess

water

WHERE TO SEE:

401 S. 2nd. at SW corner

3. Pine, Singleleaf

Small Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus monophylla

FORM:

Shrubby, rounded

HEIGHT: SPREAD: 15-20 Ft.

ROOT:

10-15 Ft. Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

FOLIAGE:

Cones

Green needles

GROW RATE:

Slow

LONGEVITY:

Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Coarse, well drained, slightly alkaline SOILS:

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Native to the west, drought and alkaline

tolerant

LIMITATIONS:

Slow growing, hard to find

WHERE TO SEE:

Southern Idaho

4. Spruce, Dwarf Alberta

Small Evergreen

Pyramidal, dense

Scientific Name: Picea glauca 'conica'



FORM:

HEIGHT:

4-6 Ft.

SPREAD:

3 Ft. Fibrous

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE:

Bright green needles Slow

GROW RATE:

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT: SOILS:

Part Sun Tolerant

DISEASE/INSECTS: Spider mite

ADVANTAGES:

Ornamental which is good for limited

growing space

LIMITATIONS:

Susceptible to snow damage

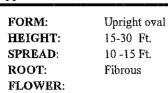
WHERE TO SEE:

431 Shoshone Dr., near house

5. Mtn. Alder, various

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Alnus spp.



Small "cones" FRUIT: FOLIAGE: Yellow in Fall GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: Short-lived

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: High moisture needs Full to part sun LIGHT: Moist and fertile SOILS:

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES: Drought tolerant after established.

tolerates boggy locations (Nitrogen

fixer)

LIMITATIONS: Requires ample moisture

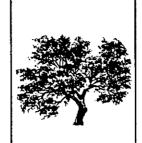
WHERE TO SEE: Along mountain streams

VARIETIES: A. tenufolia, A. incana, A. sinuata

(native)

6. Apple, various

Scientific Name: Malus spp.



FORM: Rounded HEIGHT: 20-30 Ft. SPREAD: 15-25 Ft. ROOT: Fibrous FLOWER: White Blossom FRUIT: Fruit varies

Small Deciduous

FOLIAGE: Dark green to yellow GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: Moderate LIGHT: Needs full sun SOILS: Prefers good loam

DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight, Codling Moth

ADVANTAGES: Flowering and fruiting tree

LIMITATIONS: Requires lots of care for fruit

production, hardiness varies with

cultivars.

WHERE TO SEE: In many backyards

7. Apricot, various

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Prunus spp.



FORM: Rounded HEIGHT: 10-15 Ft. SPREAD: 10-15 Ft. ROOT: Fibrous FLOWER: White FRUIT: Orange-reddish fruit

FOLIAGE:

Moderate GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: Moderate LIGHT: Full Sun SOILS: Good Ioam DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight

ADVANTAGES: Small fruiting tree

LIMITATIONS: Some cultivars not hardy in WR Valley

WHERE TO SEE: In sheltered yards

8. Ash, Mountain

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Sorbus aucuparia



FORM: Upright oval 20-30 Ft. HEIGHT: SPREAD: 20 Ft.

ROOT: Fibrous, spreading White

FLOWER:

FRUIT: Clusters of red berries FOLIAGE: Orange-red in fall

Moderate GROW RATE: LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: Moderate LIGHT: Full Sun

Tolerant except for alkaline soils SOILS:

DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight

ADVANTAGES: Attractive tree, birds eat fruit.-native

species is hardier.

LIMITATIONS: Fruit may be messy, sunscald

WHERE TO SEE: 112 N. 4th

9. Cherry, Sour (Pie)

Scientific Name: Prunus cerasus

Small Deciduous



FORM: HEIGHT:

Upright, globe 20-25 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

15-25 Ft. Fibrous

FLOWER: FRUIT: FOLIAGE: Pink or white Red fruit Yellow in fall

GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate Full Sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Well-drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Pear slug (sawfly), tent caterpillar

ADVANTAGES:

Fragrant, spring blooming tree

LIMITATIONS:

Some cultivars less hardy

WHERE TO SEE:

VARIETIES:

Purple Leaf cistina

10. Chokecherry, various

Scientific Name: Prunus virginiana

FLOWER:

Oblong to rounded

Small Deciduous

FORM: 20-30 Ft. HEIGHT:

SPREAD: 10-15 Ft. ROOT: Fibrous

White, fragrant Red fruit- birds use FRUIT: FOLIAGE: Green to purple

GROW RATE: Fast LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full sun

Well drained SOILS: DISEASE/INSECTS: Black Knot fungus, tent

caterpillar, some are disease

resistant

ADVANTAGES:

Good wildlife tree, fast growing,

drought tolerant

LIMITATIONS:

WHERE TO SEE:

McKercher park, SE area, and along

bike path

11. Crabapple, various

Scientific Name: Malus spp.



Small Deciduous

FORM: Rounded HEIGHT: 20-30 Ft. 10-20 Ft. SPREAD:

Fibrous ROOT:

White to deep rose FLOWER: FRUIT: Yellow/red fruit

FOLIAGE:

GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: varies

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Prefers good loamy soil

DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight

ADVANTAGES:

Good species under utility lines,

beautiful spring flowers, wide varieties

of cultivars available

LIMITATIONS:

Fruits may be messy near buildings or walks. Hardiness varies with cultivars.

WHERE TO SEE:

Main St. (Airport Way to Pine)

12. Hawthorn, various

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Crataegus spp.



FORM: HEIGHT:

15-20 Ft. 15-20 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

Deep

Rounded

FLOWER: FRUIT:

White, Red Red fruit, birds use

FOLIAGE:

Orange/scarlet in fall

GROW RATE: LONGEVITY:

Moderate Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Part to full sun

SOILS:

Well drained, ph 6.5 - 7.5

DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight

ADVANTAGES:

Beautiful flowers, hardiness varies

with cultivars, protect from winter

wind.

LIMITATIONS:

Thorns

WHERE TO SEE:

13. Lilac, Japanese Tree

Scientific Name: Syringa reticulata

Small Deciduous

FORM:

Oval/rounded

HEIGHT:

20-30 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

15-25 Ft. Fibrous

FLOWER:

Snowy white blossom

FRUIT: FOLIAGE: 1" capsules Green to brown

GROW RATE: Slow LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Loose, well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Borers, leaf and stem blight, stressed tree

leaf miner and scale on

ADVÁNTAGES:

Attractive, fragrant flowering tree,

blooms mid-summer.

LIMITATIONS:

WHERE TO SEE:

Croy between 2nd and 3rd on South

side. Galena and Silver east of 4 th on

south side.

14. Maple, Amur

Scientific Name: Acer ginnala

Small Deciduous

FORM: HEIGHT: Irregular, oval 15-20 Ft.

SPREAD:

10-12 Ft. Fibrous

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Winged seeds

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Green to scarlet Moderate

Moderate LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low to Moderate

LIGHT: SOILS:

Part to full sun Well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Excellent under utility lines, attractive

LIMITATIONS:

Multi-stemmed tree. Not for clay or

wet soil.

WHERE TO SEE:

220 Wareagle Dr. east corner

15. Maple, Bigtooth

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Acer grandidentatum



FORM: HEIGHT: Round 15-25 ft.

SPREAD:

10-15 ft.

ROOT:

Shallow

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Winged seeds

FOLIAGE:

Red/Orange in fall

GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Part to full sun

SOILS:

Well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Native, attractive tree, drought tolerant

LIMITATIONS:

Late leaf fall, won't tolerate excess

WHERE TO SEE:

Hillsides of Utah's Wasatch range

16. May Day Tree (Bird Tree)

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Prunus padus' Commutata



FORM:

HEIGHT:

Open, upright 20 Ft.

SPREAD:

15 Ft.

ROOT:

Fibrous

FLOWER:

White

FRUIT:

Black

Purple to red

FOLIAGE:

GROW RATE: Moderate Moderate

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS: Well-drained **DISEASE/INSECTS**: Tent caterpillars

ADVANTAGES:

Fragrant flowers

LIMITATIONS:

WHERE TO SEE:

McKercher Park

17. Oak, Gambel

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Quercus gambelli



FORM:

Shrubby

HEIGHT:

15-25 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

10 -15 Ft. Deep

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Acom

FOLIAGE:

Glossy green

GROW RATE:

Slow

LONGEVITY:

Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low Full Sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Coarse, well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Leaf gall

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant

LIMITATIONS:

Slow growth

WHERE TO SEE:

Dry canyons of Utah, Colorado,

New Mexico

18. Olive, Russian

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Elaeagnus angustifolia



FORM:

Irregular

HEIGHT:

15-20 Ft. 10-15 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

Fibrous

FLOWER:

Yellow, fragrant Silver, birds use

FRUIT:

FOLIAGE:

Silver-grey

GROW RATE:

Rapid

LONGEVITY:

Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Tolerant of alkaline, gravely soils

DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight occasionally

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, fast growing, wildlife

LIMITATIONS:

Reseeds, especially along water

courses, spines (thorns)

WHERE TO SEE:

504 S. River

19. Pear, Edible

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Pyrus communus



FORM: HEIGHT: Pyramidal

SPREAD:

20-30 Ft.

15-25 Ft.

ROOT:

Deep, spreading

FLOWER:

White

FRUIT:

Seldom fruits

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Bronze in fall Moderate to fast

LONGEVITY:

Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Prefers slightly acid to neutral DISEASE/INSECTS: Fireblight occasionally

ADVANTAGES:

A spring flowering tree, seldom fruits

LIMITATIONS:

Hardiness varies with cultivar

WHERE TO SEE:

VARIETIES:

Bartlett

20. Plum, various

Small Deciduous

Scientific Name: Prunus spp.



FORM:

Oblong

HEIGHT:

20-25 Ft.

SPREAD:

15-20 Ft.

ROOT:

Fibrous Pink

FLOWER:

Dark red

FRUIT: FOLIAGE:

Reddish bronze in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid Moderate LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Garden loam, well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Black knot, Pear slugs, some species disease resistant

ADVANTAGES:

Early flowering tree, attractive fall

foliage

LIMITATIONS:

Some species more hardy than others,

edible - look for hardiness

WHERE TO SEE:

VARIETIES:

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Italian Prunc Yellow, and Damson

Black

21. Pine, Austrian

Medium Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus nigra



FORM:

Broad, spreading

HEIGHT:

50 Ft.

SPREAD:

25 Ft. Taproot

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE:

Long needle Moderate

Long lived

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Very tolerant if well drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Scale, borer

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, adapts to most soils

LIMITATIONS:

WHERE TO SEE:

Carbonate and 2nd. and 3rd., south side

22. Pine, Limber

Medium Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus flexilis

FORM: HEIGHT: Broadly pyramidal

40 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

30 Ft. Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE:

Medium needle

GROW RATE:

Slow

LONGEVITY:

Long lived

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

LIGHT:

Low Full sun

SOILS:

Tolerant, coarse, well drained soil

DISEASE/INSECTS: Weevil and sawfly

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, native species

LIMITATIONS:

Hard to find

WHERE TO SEE:

Higher mountain elevations

23. Pine, Scotch

Medium Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus, sylvestris



FORM:

Open, irregular

HEIGHT: SPREAD:

30-50 Ft. 20-30 Ft.

ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Small cones

FOLIAGE:

Blue green needle

GROW RATE:

Rapid

LONGEVITY:

Long lived

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: LIGHT:

Moderate Full sun

SOILS:

Tolerant

DISEASE/INSECTS: Borers and scales

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, rapid growth

LIMITATIONS:

Sapsucker damage common, irregular

crooked stem.

WHERE TO SEE:

Northeast corner of S. 2nd and Croy St.

24. Spruce, Black Hills

Medium Evergreen

Scientific Name: Picea glauca



FORM:

Upright pyramidal

HEIGHT:

50 Ft.

SPREAD:

15-25 Ft. Fibrous

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Small cones

Moderate

Long lived

FOLIAGE:

Bluish 1" needles

GROW RATE:

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate Full sun

Tolerant

LIGHT: SOILS:

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

LIMITATIONS:

Limited availability

WHERE TO SEE:

Native tree to the Black Hills, South

Dakota

25. Ash, green

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Fraxinus pennsylvanica



FORM:

Irregular

HEIGHT:

40-50 Ft. 20-30 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

Fibrous

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Abundant seeds

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Yellow in fall Rapid

Moderate LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate Part to full Sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Prefers moist loam, some alkalinity

DISEASE/INSECTS: Borer

ADVANTAGES:

Fast growing shade tree with moderate

wood strength.

LIMITATIONS:

Cultivars without seeds preferred.

Breakage with winter snow.

WHERE TO SEE:

Hailey Post Office - West side

VARIETIES:

Patmore

26. Aspen, various

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Populus spp..



FORM:

Columnar 30-50 Ft.

HEIGHT:

SPREAD:

10-15 Ft.

ROOT: FLOWER: Spreading, sucker Catkins

FRUIT:

FOLIAGE:

Yellow/orange in fall

GROW RATE: Rapid LONGEVITY: Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Well-drained

DISEASE/INSECTS: Cottonwood aphids, leaf spot,

cytospora canker, borer

ADVANTAGES:

Native species, fast growing

LIMITATIONS:

Susceptible to insects and disease,

intolerant of bark damage, common to

have suckers.

WHERE TO SEE:

501 S. Fourth

VARIETIES:

P.grandidentatum, P.tremuloides

(Native)

27. Birch, White Bark

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Betula spp.



FORM:

HEIGHT.

Pyramidal, pendulous 40-50 Ft.

SPREAD:

20-30 Ft.

ROOT:

Deep spreading

FLOWER: FRUIT:

Drooping catkins Nutlet

FOLIAGE:

Yellow in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid

Short LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Deep, moist loam DISEASE/INSECTS: Leaf miner, borer

ADVANTAGES:

Attractive landscape tree

LIMITATIONS:

Requires ample moisture

WHERE TO SEE:

501 S. Fourth

VARIETIES:

B. platyphylla (Japaneses)

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28. Birch, Red Bark

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Betula spp.



FORM: HEIGHT:

Rounded 30-40 Ft.

SPREAD:

25-40 Ft.

ROOT:

Spreading

FLOWER:

Drooping catkins

FRUIT:

Small nutlet

FOLIAGE:

Yellow in fall Moderate

Short lived

GROW RATE:

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate to light

LIGHT:

Part to full sun Prefers cool, moist acid soil

SOILS: DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

Attracts wildlife, attractive flaky orange-

brown bark.

LIMITATIONS:

High water use

WHERE TO SEE:

Bog birch - Sun Valley

VARIETIES:

B.nigra (River), B.occidentalis

29. Boxelder, various

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Acer negundo



FORM:

Upright, spreading

HEIGHT:

30-50 Ft.

SPREAD:

20-40 Ft. Shallow

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Prolific seeds

FOLIAGE: **GROW RATE:** Varies Rapid

Short LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low Full Sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Tolerant

DISEASE/INSECTS: Boxelder Bugs

ADVANTAGES:

Some Boxelder cultivars are seedless

LIMITATIONS:

Reseed vigorously

WHERE TO SEE:

211 E. Croy

VARIETIES:

Flamingo and variegated

30. Linden, Littleleaf Scientific Name: Tilia cordata Medium Deciduous

FORM:

Pyramidal

HEIGHT:

50 Ft.

SPREAD:

35 Ft.

ROOT: FLOWER: Fibrous, spreading Yellow, Fragrant

FRUIT:

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Yellow in fall Moderate

LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate Part to full sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Tolerant to most

DISEASE/INSECTS: Aphids, summer leaf scorch

ADVANTAGES:

Attractive shade tree

LIMITATIONS:

Limited availability

WHERE TO SEE:

351 Eastridge, center of yard

31. Locust, Black

Medium Deciduous

Scientific Name: Robinia pseudoacacia



FORM: HEIGHT:

Oblong

SPREAD:

50 Ft. 30 Ft.

ROOT:

Shallow, spreading

FLOWER:

White, fragrant

FRUIT:

Pods

FOLIAGE:

Yellow in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid Short

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Very tolerant **DISEASE/INSECTS**: Locust borers

ADVANTAGES:

Drought tolerant, fast growing

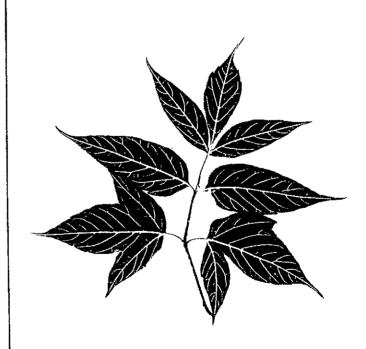
LIMITATIONS:

Borers can be serious, weak wood, pods

are shed, thorns

WHERE TO SEE:

214 E. Bullion, near alley



32. Fir, Douglas

Large Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pseudotsuga menziesii

FORM:

Broad, pyramid

HEIGHT:

80 Ft.

SPREAD:

20 Ft.

ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE:

Green needle Moderate

LONGEVITY: Long lived

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Moist, well drained, slightly acid

DISEASE/INSECTS: Spruce gall aphids

ADVANTAGES:

Native to Wood River Valley, on drier

soils than Spruce.

LIMITATIONS:

Not available in large sizes to plant,

transplants best as small trees.

WHERE TO SEE:

503 E. Croy, SE corner

33. Fir, true

Scientific Name: Abies spp.

HEIGHT: ROOT:

FORM:

Pyramidal 70-100 Ft.

SPREAD:

15-30 Ft. Fibrous, spreading

Large Evergreen

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE:

Blue-green needle

GROW RATE: Moderate LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate Part sun

LIGHT: SOILS:

Moist, fertile

DISEASE/INSECTS: Wood rot, tussock moth

ADVANTAGES:

Holds heavy snow, native to Idaho.

(species - White and Subalpine)

LIMITATIONS:

Needs cool, moist soil, susceptible to

wood rot. Hardiness varies with species

and cultivar.

WHERE TO SEE:

Subalpine - 1/2 block east of Main on E.

Pine, S. Side

White - 351 Eastridge by walk

34. Pine, Lodgepole

Large Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus contorta

FORM:

Columnar

HEIGHT: SPREAD: 60-100 Ft. 20-30 Ft.

ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Small cones

FOLIAGE:

Yellow-green needles

GROW RATE:

Moderate

LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low to moderate

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS: **DISEASE/INSECTS**: Bark beetles

Well drained

ADVANTAGES:

Native species adapted to full sun, and

less moisture.

LIMITATIONS:

Will grow spindly without enough sun.

WHERE TO SEE:

318 E. Croy, E. Side

35. Pine, Ponderosa

Large Evergreen

Scientific Name: Pinus ponderosa



FORM:

Upright, columnar

HEIGHT:

80 Ft.

SPREAD:

30 Ft.

ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Large cones

FOLIAGE:

Long needles

GROW RATE:

Rapid LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Part to full sun

Prefers deep well-drained loam SOILS: DISEASE/INSECTS: Bark beetle

ADVANTAGES:

Strong wood, rapid growth for drought

tolerant species, native to Idaho.

LIMITATIONS:

Heavy snow may damage tree, also heavy needle drop under mature trees.

WHERE TO SEE:

406 S. First, only conifer

36. Spruce, Colorado Blue

Large Evergreen

Scientific Name: Picea pungens spp.

FORM:

Broad pyramid

HEIGHT: SPREAD:

80 Ft. 30 Ft.

ROOT:

Taproot

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Green-silver needles

Moderate LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT: SOILS:

Part to full sun Rich moist

DISEASE/INSECTS: Spruce gall aphid,

tussock moth

ADVANTAGES:

Attractive landscape tree.

LIMITATIONS:

Very large tree when mature, sensitive

to irrigation change.

WHERE TO SEE:

Very prevalent conifer planted

throughout town.

37. Spruce, various

Scientific Name: Picea abies

Large Evergreen



FORM:

Conical

HEIGHT:

60 - 100 Ft.

SPREAD:

30 Ft. Fibrous, spreading.

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Cones

Green needle FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Moderate

LONGEVITY: Long

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Part to full sun

SOILS:

Moist, tolerant to most.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Spruce gall aphid, tussock moth,

scale.

ADVANTAGES:

Faster growth than Blue Spruce.

LIMITATIONS:

Large tree, may block winter sun when

mature.

WHERE TO SEE:

Norway Spruce: West side of County

Courthouse.

Englemann Spruce: High forest

elevations.

38. Cottonwood, Black

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Populus trichocarpa



FORM: HEIGHT:

Columnar 70-110 Ft.

SPREAD:

20-30 Ft.

ROOT:

Shallow, spreading

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

"Cotton" seeds

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Yellow in fall

LONGEVITY:

Fast Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

High

LIGHT:

Full Sun

SOILS: Tolerant to alkaline DISEASE/INSECTS: Wood rot, cytospora, canker

ADVANTAGES:

Native to Wood River Flood plain,

provides wildlife habitat.

LIMITATIONS:

Brittle wood, dependent on lots of

water.

WHERE TO SEE:

Della View, Hop Porter Park, and along

Hiawatha Canal

39. Elm, varieties

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Ulmus spp.



FORM: Vase Shaped, Spread

HEIGHT: SPREAD: 60 Ft. 45 Ft.

ROOT: FLOWER:

FRUIT: FOLIAGE:

Prevalant seeds Yellow in fall

Fibrous, shallow

GROW RATE:

Rapid LONGEVITY: Short (Siberian)

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Low

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS: Tolerant (Siberian)

DISEASE/INSECTS: Siberian elm - elm leaf beetle,

elm leaf miner, Tussock moth.

ADVANTAGES:

Cultivars resistant to Dutch elm disease,

Siberian elm drought tolerant. Makes

good wind break.

LIMITATIONS:

Limited availability, weak wood,

"messy" tree.

WHERE TO SEE:

108 S. Third, largest tree in front.

40. Linden, American

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Tilia americana



FORM:

Oval 40-80 Ft.

HEIGHT: SPREAD:

20-40 Ft.

ROOT: FLOWER:

Deep Yellow, fragrant

FRUIT: FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: Nutlike seeds Yellow in fall Moderate

LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LIGHT:

Part to full sun

SOILS:

Deep, well-drained soils.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Aphids, summer leaf scorch.

ADVANTAGES:

Strong wood, stately shade tree.

LIMITATIONS:

Needs fertile soil.

WHERE TO SEE:

Along Main St. between Croy and

Bullion

41. Maple, Norway

Scientific Name: Acer platanoides



FORM: Rounded HEIGHT:

60 Ft. 45 Ft. SPREAD:

ROOT:

Shallow, girdling

FLOWER:

FRUIT: FOLIAGE: Prolific wing seed Yellow-red in fall

Large Deciduous

Moderate GROW RATE: LONGEVITY: Moderate

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LICHT:

Full Sun

SOILS:

Rich, well-drained.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Summer leaf scorch.

ADVANTAGES:

Attractive street tree, dense shade.

LIMITATIONS:

Difficult to grow grass under, reseeds

itself.

WHERE TO SEE:

Southeast corner of 2nd and Bullion

42. Maple, Red

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Acer rubrum

FORM: HEIGHT:

Elliptic to round

SPREAD:

60 Ft.

40 Ft.

ROOT:

Shallow

FLOWER:

Winged Seeds

FRUIT: FOLIAGE:

Scarlet in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid

LONGEVITY:

Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER: LIGHT:

Moderate

Part sun

SOILS:

Prefers moist, slightly acid soil.

DISEASE/INSECTS:

ADVANTAGES:

LIMITATIONS:

More limited for soil tolerance than

Norway maple.

WHERE TO SEE:

316 East Bullion, by walk to the house

43. Poplar, Hybrid

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Populus spp.



FORM:

Columnar 60-90 Ft. HEIGHT:

SPREAD: ROOT:

15-25 Ft. Invasive, shallow

FLOWER:

FRUIT: FOLIAGE: "Cotton" seeds Yellow in fall

Rapid **GROW RATE:** LONGEVITY: Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate

LICHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Tolerates alkaline soil.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Cytospora canker, galls, cottonwood borer.

ADVANTAGES:

Fast growing shade tree.

LIMITATIONS:

Weak wood, short lived, needs lots of

WHERE TO SEE:

Hop Porter Park adjacent to the picnic

tables.

VARIETIES:

Some "Cottonless"

44. Maple, Silver

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Acer saccharinum

FORM: HEIGHT:

Oval 50-60 Ft.

SPREAD: ROOT:

30-40 Ft. Shallow

FLOWER:

FRUIT:

Prevalent seeds Yellow in fall

FOLIAGE: GROW RATE: LONGEVITY:

Fast Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

High

LIGHT:

Full Sun (part sun)

SOILS:

Becomes chlorotic in alkaline soils.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Leaf chlorosis.

ADVANTAGES:

Fast growing shade tree.

LIMITATIONS:

Damages sidewalks and driveways,

weak wood.

WHERE TO SEE:

220 S. 3 rd. St., near sidewalks

45. Poplar, White

Scientific Name: Populus alba

FORM: HEIGHT: Irregular, spreading 80 Ft.

Large Deciduous

SPREAD:

50 Ft.

ROOT:

Fibrous, invasive

FLOWER: FRUIT:

White Long pods

Short

FOLIAGE:

Green/yellow in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid

LONGEVITY:

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate-High

LIGHT:

Full sun

SOILS:

Prefers moist loam.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Cytospora canker.

ADVANTAGES:

Fast growing shade tree

LIMITATIONS:

Weak wood, invasive roots, produces

suckers, wounds don't heal well.

WHERE TO SEE:

101 S. 1 st St., and 414 S. 2nd St.

46. Willow, varieties

Large Deciduous

Scientific Name: Salix spp.



FORM: HEIGHT: Rounded 40-70 Ft.

SPREAD:

30-60 Ft.

ROOT:

Invasive, spreading

FLOWER:

Yellow

FRUIT:

FOLIAGE:

Yellow in fall

GROW RATE:

Rapid

LONGEVITY:

Short

GROWTH CONDITIONS

WATER:

Moderate to high water use

LIGHT:

SOILS:

Tolerant except for dry rocky soil.

DISEASE/INSECTS: Leaf gall

ADVANTAGES:

Fast growing shade tree, good winter

color.

LIMITATIONS:

Weak wood, short lived, high water use,

high maintenance.

WHERE TO SEE:

300 S. River Street (Weeping Willow)

Other Trees To Try:

Western Larch 1.

Hackberry 2.

Horsechestnut

Kentucky Coffeetree 4.

Ohio Buckeye 5.

6. Honeylocust

Swamp White Oak Black Walnut 7.

8.

Yellowwood 9.

10. Ginkgo

NOTE: Hardiness may be marginal, some of these are not locally available.

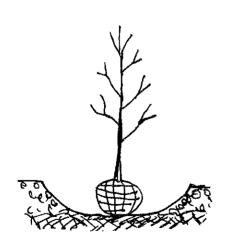


PLANTING GUIDELINES:

After locating a good site and selecting a desirable species, it is time to plant your tree. Trees can be purchased as BARE ROOT, CONTAINERIZED or BALLED AND BURLAPPED. In general a tree about 1 1/2 inch caliper (diameter of tree near the base) or smaller is a good size for the homeowner. Larger trees can be successfully planted by professionals using heavy equipment.

PLANTING YOUR CONTAINERIZED OR BALLED AND BURLAPPED TREE:

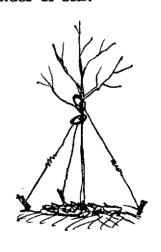
- 1. Dig planting hole about 2 to 4 times the width of the root ball, and about the same depth as the root ball.
- 2. Remove carefully the tree from the container, do not handle by stem alone. Cut any wire or twine around the tree.
- 3. Place tree in center of hole, with the root collar at level or slightly above level of surrounding ground. Check for straightness.
- 4. On "balled & burlapped" trees cut and remove the top one-half of burlap from the root ball.
- 5. If tree roots are in a wire basket, cut back the top two tiers after the tree has been set into position.
- 6. Pots and cans should be removed by cutting a side and taking off the tree. Trim any encircling roots before planting.
- 7. Backfill hole with native soil that was removed. Only use soil amendments if there is undesirable fill or clay soil that needs to be amended.
- 8. Alternate soil with water to settle around roots. Lightly tamp soil around root ball. Air pockets from inadequate soil tamping can kill roots.
 - 9. Add soil until there is no more settling.
 - 10. Make sure soil is up to the root collar of the tree.
- 11. Add 2 3 inches of bark mulch, but not against the tree trunk.
 - 12. Build a water catch basin around tree with remainder of soil.



Correct Root Ball Placement



Build Water Basin And Mulch



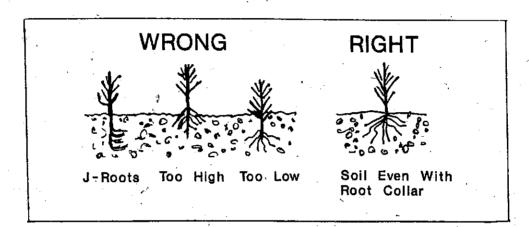
Stake Tree If Needed

PLANTING YOUR BARE ROOT TREE:

1. Roots must be kept cool and moist. To keep roots moist, use wet burlap, peatmoss or sawdust, not pure water.

2. Check roots for damage and trim off with sharp knife.

- 3. Dig hole deep enough for longest root, or trim root to fit.
- 4. Plant so roots are spread down and outward, not turned to the side or wrapped around the hole.
- 5. Plant so root collar is even with soil level.
- 6. Follow steps #7 12. Backfill carefully to avoid damaging the roots.



TREE CARE:

- 1. Stake tree using soft cloth or webbing. Only stake where needed and remove after one year. Allow for natural sway of tree.
- 2. Prune any dead or broken branches. Generally, wait until the third year after planting to do a training prune.
 - 3. Water slowly and deeply once a week during warm, dry weather.
- 4. Fertilizing may not be necessary when tree is planted. In a few years a slow-release fertilizer can be used.
- 5. Watch for signs of disease or insect damage. After consulting a professional, treat as necessary.
- 6. Thin barked trees could be protected from sunscald while young with tree wrap. Use through winter and remove in summer.
- 7. Trees should be deeply watered in the fall after they have gone dormant to prevent winter desiccation.
- 8. REMEMBER: A healthy tree is less prone to stress and attack by disease and insects.