

Swansboro's Historic Trees

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The largest oak in the cemetery has lower branches down to the ground. These should be retained.

The central stem and other limbs to the northeast were broken by Florence.



These bare twigs are not dead.
Leaves were shed to lighten
The load during the storm.





























Growing turf near the trunk
Leads to many problems for
the tree. Turf should be >1'
Away from the trunk and from
Surface roots.



Where grass is not growing well
Due to competition from tree
Roots, the area should be
Mulched with the tree's own
Leaves and twigs, or woodchips.

These areas have been marked
Off with blue flags.









This gardenia has been
Overtaken by a tree and
a vine.



Chinaberry
with no
damage from
the storm, and
No seedlings
visible nearby.

This exotic
species is
neither brittle
or invasive.

It is well
adapted to this
region, so it
can be a good
choice for a
fast-growing
shade tree



This magnolia tree has a holly tree growing through it; very sustainable and very interesting!



Trees near buildings provide
Shelter from the elements—
Sun, wind, and rain.

Occasional pruning creates
Clearance and harmony.



Pecan trees seem to be very well adapted to this region. There is no evidence of salt damage to the foliage.

With a light reduction pruning every 3 to 5 years, their structure can be very storm resistant.

The leaves tend to fall over a very short period of time, making cleanup easier. And you also get free nuts!

The pecan is one of the best species of shade tree for the Swansboro area.



The tree canopy creates a
Cool and inviting atmosphere.

The benefits of the green
infrastructure are
Maximized when small trees
Are located under utility lines,
And large trees are grown in
Open spaces.



Crepemyrtles are heavily overplanted in Swansboro. They have a place where a small ornamental is needed, but they are a poor choice. Where there is room for a canopy tree like an oak, pecan, chinaberry, Magnolia, pine, baldcypress, etc..

Crepemyrtles can be cut back to promote flowering at eye level, or allowed to grow to their full height, to allow visibility under the canopy.



Low-growing species like redbuds and dogwoods are A better choice under utility Lines.



This maple lost its central Trunk some time ago.

Specified pruning can restore Its structure and health.

A grass-free area around the Trunk and roots will result In better health, and less Damage to mowing Equipment.



Cherry trees survive in Swansboro, but the salt can affect the foliage.



Trees are determined to grow.

They just need a little guidance.

