Tumwater, Olympia & Lacey Recommended Tree Lists:

Updated: 2025.02.03 by Jim Sedore

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Botanical name	_	1		m *	Height (ft)				
Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native *2, "	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
Acer buergeranum		Х	Х			20			
Trident Maple									
Acer campestre	Х					<35			
Hedge Maple									
Acer campestre		Х				35			
'Evelyn'									
Queen Elizabeth									
Hedge Maple									
Acer capillipes		Х				30			
Red Striped-bark									
Maple									
Acer davidii			Х			30			
David's Maple									
Acer ginnala	Х					<30			
Amur Maple									
Acer ginnala 'Flame'			Х			20			
Flame Maple									
Acer glabrum	Х	Х	Х	Х		25			
Rocky Mountain									
Maple									
Acer grandidentatum		Х	Х			25			
'Shmidt'									
Rocky Mountain									
Glow Maple									
Acer griseum		Х	Х			30			
Paperbark Maple									
Acer henryi		Х				30			
Henryi Maple									
Acer nigrum		Х					50		
'Greencolumn'									

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	*2,						
	Tum	Olym	La	Native	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09		
Greencolumn Maple				Z	Ó	2(4	9		
Acer platanoides	Χ					40				
Norway Maple	^					40				
Acer platanoides	Х		Х				40			
'Columnar-broad'	^						40			
Parkway Maple										
Acer platanoides	Х		Х			25				
'Crimson Sentry'										
Crimson Sentry										
Maple										
Acer rubrum	Х		Х				45			
'Armstrong'										
Armstrong Red Maple										
Acer rubrum 'Autumn		Х				35				
Flame'										
Autumn Flame Maple										
Acer rubrum	Х	Х	Х				50			
'Bowhall'										
Bowhall Red Maple										
Acer rubrum	Х					40				
'Franksred' Red										
Sunset										
Red Sunset Maple										
Acer rubrum 'Karpick'		Х					45			
Karpick Red Maple										
Acer rubrum 'October		Х					50			
Glory'										
October Glory Red Maple										
Acer rubrum		Х					40	-	\vdash	
'Scarsen'		^					40			
Scarsen Red Maple										
Acer rubrum		Х						70		
'Shlesinger'										

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	. C* ovi+cN	,	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
Shlesinger Maple										
Acer saccharum	Χ							>50		
Sugar Maple										
Acer saccharum		Χ						40		
'Astis'										
Steeple Sugar Maple										
Acer saccharum		Х	Х				30			
'Barret Cole'										
Apollo Maple										
Acer saccharum		Х	Х					50		
'Bonfire'										
Bonfire Sugar Maple								_		
Acer saccharum			Х					50		
'Commemoration'										
Commemoration										
Sugar Maple								F0		
Acer saccharum			Х					50		
'Legacy'										
Legacy Sugar Maple Acer tataricum		Χ	Х				25			
Tatarian Maple		^	^				23			
Acer truncatum x	V		Х				<35			
platanoides	^		^				\33			
'Keithsform'										
Norwegian Sunset										
Maple										
	Χ	Х	Х			+	30			
platanoides	•									
'Warrenred'										
Pacific Sunset Maple										
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HORSECHESTNUTS:						<u> </u>				
Aesculus x carnea			Х				40			
'Briotti'										

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	*2,		£	0	0		
	Tur	VIO	1	Native		0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
Red Horsechestnut										
BIRCHES:										
Betula jacquemontii		Х						40		
Jacquemontii Birch										
Betula nigra		Х						40		
River Birch										
HORNBEAMS:										
Carpinus betulus	Х	Х	Х				40			
'Fastigiata'										
Pyramidal European										
Hornbeam										
Carpinus betulus		Х					35			
'Frans Fontaine'										
Frans Fontaine										
European Hornbeam										
Carpinus caroliniana		Х	Х				25			
American Hornbeam										
Carpinus japonica		Х	Х		T		30			
Japanese Hornbeam										
KATSURAS:										
Cercidiphyllum			Х				40			
japonicum										
Katsura Tree										
REDBUDS:					+					
Cercis canadensis			Х		+		20			
'Forest Pansy'										
Eastern Redbud										
Lustern Neubuu					+					
YELLOWWOODS:					+					
Cladrastis kentukea		Х			+		30			
Cidulastis Kelitukea							50			

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native *2,	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
Yellowwood									
DOGWOODS:									
Cornus florida 'Rubra'	Х		Х			20			
Pink Flowering	^		^			20			
Dogwood									
Cornus kousa	Х	Χ	Х			30			
chinensis									
Chinese Kousa									
Dogwood									
Cornus kousa 'Milky		Х				20			
Way Select'									
Milky Way Select									
Dogwood									
Cornus x nuttalii		Х				25			
'Eddies White									
Wonder'									
Eddie's White									
Wonder Dogwood									
Cornus kousa x		Х				30			
nuttalii 'Starlight'									
Starlight Dogwood									
Cornus rutgersensis		Х				25			
'Rutcan'									
Constellation									
Dogwood									
Cornus rutgersensis		Х				20			
'Rutdan'									
Celestial Dogwood									
HAZELNUTS:									
Corylus colurna		Х					45		
Turkish Hazelnut									

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HAWTHORNS:									
Crataegus crus-gallli		Х	Х			25			
'Inermis'									
Thornless Cockspur									
Hawthorn									
Crataegus x lavallei		Х	Х			30			
Lavalle Hawthorn									
Crataegus x		Х				20			
mordensis 'Toba'									
Toba Hawthorn									
Crataegus		Х				25			
phaenopyrum									
Washington									
Hawthorn									
Crataegus viridis		Х				20			
Winter King									
Hawthorn									
BEECHES:									
Fagus grandflora		Х					50		
American Beech									
Fagus sylvatica		Х	Х					90	
European Beech									
Fagus sylvatica							50		
'Asplenifolia'									
50Fernleaf Beech									
Fagus sylvatica		Х				40			
'Dawyck'									
European Beech									
'Dawyck'									
Fagus sylvatica			Х				50		
'Riversii'									
Rivers Purple Beech									
Fagus sylvatica		Χ	Х			30			

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native *2,	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
'Roseomarginata'									
Tricolor Beech									
Fagus sylvatica			Х				45		
'Fastgiata'									
Fastigate Beech									
ASHES:									
Fraxinus americana	Х						>50		
'Autumn Purple'									
Autumn Purple Ash									
Fraxinus excelsior	Х					<35			
'Golden Desert'									
Golden Desert Ash						<u> </u>			
Fraxinus	Х					40			
pennsylvanica									
'Patmore'									
Patmore Ash						40			
Fraxinus	Х					40			
pennsylvanica 'Summit'									
Summit Green Ash									
Summit Green Ash									
GINKGOS:									
Ginkgo biloba			Х			40			
'Autumn Gold'						-0			
Autumn Gold Ginkgo									
Ginkgo biloba		Х					60		
'Fairmont'									
Fairmount Ginkgo									
Ginkgo biloba		Х				†	50		
'Magyar'									
Magyar Ginkgo									
Ginkgo biloba		Х				40			
'Princeton Sentry'									

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Princeton Sentry											
Ginkgo											
Ginkgo biloba								45			
'Shangi-la'											
Shangri-la Ginkgo											
HONEY LOCUSTS:											
Gleditsia triacanthos	Х							40			
Honey Locust											
Gleditsia triacanthos			Х					45			
'Draves PP 21698											
Street Keeper Honey											
Locust											
Gleditisia triacanthos			Х					45			
'Shademaster'											
Honey Locust											
Gleditsia triacanthos		Х						40			
'True Shade'											
True Shade Honey											
Locus											
COFFEE TREE:											
Gymnocladus dioicus		Х						60			
Kentucky Coffee Tree											
Gymnocladus dioicus			Х					50			
'Espresso-JFS											
Espresso Kentucky											
Coffee Tree						1					
Halesia monticola		Х						40			
Mountain Silverbell											
GOLDENRAIN TREES:											
Koelreuteria			Х				30				
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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native *2,	0-20 ft	20-40		40-60	+09	
paniculata										
Goldenrain Tree										
CRAPE MYRTLES:										
Lagerstroemia		Х				25				
hybrids										
Crape Myrtle										
TULIP TREES:										
Liriodendron	Х	Х	Х				(60		
tulipifera										
Tuliptree										
Liriodendron	Х	Х	Х				į	50		
tulipifera										
'Fastiglatum'										
Columnar Tuliptree										
MAACKIA:										
Maackia amurensi		Х				25				
Amur Maackia										
MAGNOLIAS:										
Magnolia 'Butterflies'		Х				20				
Butterflies Magnolia										
Magnolia denudata		Х					4	40		
Yulan Magnolia										
Magnolia grandiflora		Х							60	
'Edith Bogus'										
Edith Bogue										
Magnolia										
Magnolia grandiflora		Х				25				
'Little Gem'										
Little Gem Magnolia										
Magnolia liliflora x	Х	Х	Х			30				

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Common name(s)	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native *2,	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	+09	
sprengeri 'Galaxy'									
Galaxy Magnolia									
Magnolia x loebneri		Х				30			
'Merrill'									
Merrill Magnolia									
Magnolia sieboldii		Х				20			
Oyama Magnolia									
Magnolia x	Х	Χ	Х			20			
soulangiana 'Rustica									
Rubra'									
Rustica Rubra									
Magnolia									
CRABAPPLES:									
Malus 'Adirondack'		Х			18				
Adirondack									
Crabapple									
Malus "Golden		Х				20			
Raindrops'									
Golden Raindrops									
Crabapple									
Malus Prairiefire'		Х	Х			20			
Prairiefire Crabapple									
Malus 'Red Barron'		Χ	Х			20			
Red Barron Crabapple									
Malus 'Royal		Х				20			
Raindrops'									
Royal Raindrops									
Crabapple									
Malus sargentii		Х			6				
"Sargent Tina'									
Sargent Tina									
Crabapple									

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	Tumwater	Olympia*1	La	Native		0-20 ft	20-40	40-60	±	
		O		Ž		0-	20	40	+09	
Malus 'Snowdrift'			Х				20			
Snowdrift Flowering										
Crabapple										
Malus species	Х						<35			
Flowering Crabapple										
Malus species			Х				20			
'JFSKW213MX'										
Raspberry Spear										
Crabapple										
Malus species 'JFS			Х		1	18				
KW214MX'										
Ivory Spear										
Crabapple										
Malus 'Sutyzam'		Х			1	18				
Sugar Tyme										
Crabapple										
Malus 'Thunderchild'		Х					20			
Thunderchild										
Crabapple										
Malus tschonoskii		Х	Х				35			
Tschonoskii										
Crabapple										
TUPELO:										
Nyssa sylvatica	Х	Х	Х					45		
Black Tupelo										
HOP-HORNBEAM:										
Ostrya virginiana		Х						40		
Hop-hornbeam										
SOURWOODS:										
Oxidendron			Χ				35			
arboretum										

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Common name(s)	vate	»ia	e y	*2,					
	Tumwater	Olympia*1	Lacey	Native	0-20 ft	20-40	40-60		
	1	0		Z	0-2	20-	40-	+09	
Sourwood									
IRONWOODS:									
Parrotia persica		Х				30			
Persian Ironwood									
Parrotia persica 'Ruby		Х	Х			30			
Vase'									
Ruby Vase Persian									
Ironwood									
Perrotia persica 'JL		Χ	Х			30			
Columnar'									
Persian Spire Parrotia									
PISTACHIAS:									
Pistache chiniense		Х	Х				60		
Chinese Pistacia									
SYCAMORES/ PLANE									
TREES									
Platanus x acerifolia		Х					50		
'Yarwood'									
Yarwood Plane Tree									
FLOWERING CHERRY									
OR PLUM:									
Prunus cerasifera	Х					<35			
Prunus mume									
Prunus triloba									
Flowering Plum									
Prunus cerasifera			Х			20			
'Thundercloud'									
Thundercloud									
Flowering Plum									
Prunus x hillieri	Х		Х			30			

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'Spire'									
Spire Cherry									
Prunus sargentii	Х		Х			30			
Sargent Cherry									
Prunus spp.	Х		Х			20			
"Snowgoose"									
Snowgoose Cherry									
PEARS:									
Pyrus calleryana			Х			35			
'Cleveland Select' or									
Redspire'									
Redspire or Cleveland									
Select Callery Pear									
(not for street tree									
use)									
Pyrus fauriei		Χ			12				
'Westwood'									
Korean Sun Pear									
Pyrus ussuriensis		Χ				25			
'MorDak'									
Prairie Gem Pear									
OAKS:									
Quercus alba		Х					45		
White Oak									
Quercus alba x robur	Х	Х	Х				45		
'Crimsonschmidt'									
Crimson Spire Oak									
Quercus bicolor		Х					45		
Swamp White Oak									
Quercus coccinea	Х	Х	X				50		
'Scarlet'									
Scarlet Oak									

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Quercus frainetto 'Schmidt' Forest Green Oak		Х					50			
Quercus garryana Garry Oak		Х	Х	Х				70		
Quercus ilex Holly Oak		Х						60		
Quercus imbricaria Shingle Oak		Х						60		
Quercus macrocarpa Bur Oak		Х					55			
Quercus palutris Pin Oak		Х					55			
Quercus phellos Willow Oak		Х						80		
Quercus robur x 'Asjes' Rosehill Oak		X					40		u	
Quercus robur 'Fastigiata' Skyrocket Oak	X	Х	Х				45			
Quercus robur 'Pryamich' Skymaster English Oak		X					50			
Quercus rubra Red Oak	Х	Х	Х				50			
Quercus shumardii Shumard Oak		Х					50			
CASCARAS:										
Rhamnus purshiana Cascara		Х	Х	Х		25				

Botanical name	<u>_</u>	1			%		Heig	ht (ft)					
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LOCUSTS:													
Robinia x ambigua		Х						40					
'Idahoensis'													
Pink Flowering Locust													
Robinia pseudoacacia		Х					30						
'Bessonia'													
Bessoniana Locust													
Robinia pseudoacacia		Х						40					
'Frisia'													
Frisia Locust													
PAGODA TREES:													
Sophora japonica		Х						45					
'Halka'													
Millstone Japanese													
Pagoda Tree													
MOUNTAIN ASHES:													
Sorbus americana		Х	Х			18							
'Dwarfcrown'													
Red Cascade													
Mountain Ash													
Sorbus vilmorinii		Х					20						
Vilmorin's Mountain													
Ash													
STEWARTIA TREES:													
Stewartia		Х	Х				30						
pseudocamellia													
Japanese Stewartia													
SNOWBELLS:													
Styrax japonicus	Χ		Х				25						
Japanese Snowbell													

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LILACS:									
Syringa meyeri			X		7				
'Palibin'			^		'				
Tree Lilac									
Syringa reticulata		Х				20			
'Ivory Silk'									
Ivory Silk Japanese									
Lilac									
Syringa reticulata		Х				25			
'Summer Charm'									
Summer Charm Lilac									
LINDENS:									
Tilia americana	Χ		Х			35			
'Redmond'									
Redmond Linden									
Tilia cordata	Χ		Х				40		
'Greenspire'									
Littleleaf Linden					_				
Tilia cordata 'Haika'		Х			16				
Summer Sprite									
Linden							40		
Tilia x euchloroa		Х					40		
Crimean Linden		Х					45		
Tilia tomentosa		Χ					45		
'Sterling'									
Sterling Silve Linden									
ELMS:									
Ulmus carpinilolia x		Х					40		
parvifolia 'Frontier'									
Frontier Elm									
Ulmus 'Homestead'		Х					55		

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Homestead Elm															
Ulmus 'Morton		Х							55						
Glossy'															
Triumph Elm															
Ulmus parvifolia		Х							50						
'Emer II'															
Ailee Elm															
Ulmus parvifolia		Х							45						
'UPMTF'															
Bosque Elm															
Ulmus x 'Patriot'		Х							50						
Patriot Elm															
Ulmus 'Pioneer'		Х							60						
Pioneer Elm															
Ulmus propinqua			Х					40							
'JFS-Bieberich'															
Emerald Sunshine															
Elm															
Ulmus wilsoniana		Х							40						
'Prospector'															
Prospector Elm															
ZELKOVAS:															
Zelkova serrata 'JFS-		Х						25							
KW1'															
City Sprite Zelbova															
Zelkova serrata		Х							45						
'Musashino'															
Musashino columnar															
Zelkova															
Zelkova serrata		Х						25							
'Schmidtlow'															
Wireless Zelkova															

Footnotes:

*1. Emails to and from Jason Johns, City of Olympia Urban Forester re: City of Olympia Recommended Tree List

From: Liz & Jim Sedore < lizardgym@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 8:32 AM To: cpdinfo <cpdinfo@ci.olympia.wa.us>

Cc: Alyssa Jones Wood <ajoneswood@ci.tumwater.wa.us>

Subject: Olympia recommended Street Trees

JASEN,

I am on the Tumwater Tree Board.

We are updating the Tumwater recommended tree list and looking at the Olympia recommended tree list.

- 1. Do you know what criteria Olympia used to make their list?
- 2. Did they make the list from some other city's list? There are a lot of varietal names on the list.

Thanks, Jim Sedore for the Tumwater Tree Board

2025.01.31 Email from Jasen Johns, City of Olympia Urban Forester

RE: Species Palette for Street Trees In South Puget Sound

Jasen Johns <jjohns@ci.olympia.wa.us>

Jan 31, 2025, 11:43 AM

Mr. Jim Sedore,

Thank you for opening a conversation about City of Olympia's recommended species for street tree plantings.

Yesterday, I shared a few thoughts on street trees with Olympians concerned about street tree conflicts with sidewalks (although below-ground utilities, aerial utilities, and bicycle/automobile thoroughfares could have been grouped with their concerns as well.)

Here are those thoughts for your consideration:

A. (Current Street Tree Species Palette):

City of Olympia's current street tree species palette was updated in 2022, just prior to my hire. These trees were selected for their lack of rooting conflict with street and sidewalk infrastructure. This species palette offers "right tree, right place" guidance. Most importantly, it includes a do-not-plant list. In my professional opinion, it's a good tree species palette for Olympia and can be found on our Urban Forestry Web page under street trees (https://www.olympiawa.gov/services/urban forestry.php.)

B. (Street Tree Well Standards):

In 2021, City of Olympia changed their street tree well specifications in our Engineering, Design and Development Standards (E.D.D.S.) This changed the specification from 4'x4' tree wells to 4'x8' tree wells with a grate that is seated on a frame. There are specifications on soil composition and soil

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volume as well. One of the best ways to avoid infrastructure conflicts is by providing trees with sufficient soil quality and soil volume. The new standard better aligns with Arboricultural Best Management Practices. BMPs typically require around 1,110 cubic feet in soil volume (with variability for tree species.)

C. (Old Sidewalks):

On a related note, many of the sidewalks I've seen in Olympia are very old and not engineered to modern standards. For instance, I have seen cracked, cut, or lifted sidewalks with 80% peanut-brittle-like aggregate poured to only a two-inch depth with no substrate. As these legacy sidewalks fall apart, they are particularly vulnerable to rooting conflicts. Our new, modern standards include a sturdy concrete mix, poured to sufficient depth, and with an appropriately compacted substrate bed. Better engineered sidewalks prevent rooting conflicts. Our City of Olympia crews and contractors install to the modern specifications.

D. (Specifications during development-permitting):

There are other specifications that can be conditioned during development-permitting to prevent infrastructure conflicts: monolithic curbing, root barriers, root channels, root bridging, or structural elements such as modular suspended pavement systems (e.g. Silva Cells.)

E. (Street Tree Maintenance by City Staff):

City of Olympia has around 218 Centerline Miles of opened right-of-way, yet our two-person Urban Forestry Crew only maintains street trees along 17 of those Centerline Miles (in Downtown and along ten traffic arterials.) In fairness, these two Arborists also service trees on over 1,469 acres of recreational parkland across the City.

F. (Street Tree Maintenance by Adjacent Property Owners):

Apart from the street trees under OPARD maintenance, all other street trees are the maintenance liability of adjacent property owners. The sidewalks are the maintenance liability of adjacent property owners, too. Urban Forestry partners with Transportation in seeking compliance with tree care and sidewalk maintenance requirements.

G. (Getting Approval for Street Tree Planting):

People are supposed to seek the Urban Forester's approval for street tree plantings, but often enough people will plant what they like without any professional input (creating problems a decade or two later.)

H. (2017 City of Olympia Street Tree Inventory):

Under a 2017 Washington State Department of Natural Resources grant, City of Olympia inventoried 2,100 street trees along the aforementioned 17 Centerline Miles maintained by OPARD. OPARD updates

this tree inventory as part of their maintenance duties.

I. (2024 Grant for Tree Equity and New City Urban Forest Management Plan):

In 2024, I applied for a Washington State Department of Natural Resources grant centered on tree equity, that is ensuring everyone benefits from trees in our urban forest. Our grant proposal has been selected for award. We will hire a contractor to help create an Urban Forest Management Plan (City of Tumwater and City of Lacey already have Urban Forest Management Plans in-place; City of Olympia does not have a plan.) Tree equity includes ADA/accessibility concerns. There's a significant engagement component to this UFMP, so we welcome community members' participation.

If you would like to discuss street trees further, then please call me at 360.753.8301.

While City of Olympia has lacked a tree board since 2003, I would be happy to meet with City of Tumwater's tree board.

Best Regards, Jasen

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Species Palette for Street Trees In South Puget Sound

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Jasen Johns

Jan 31, 2025, 11:43 AM (3 days ago)

Mr. Jim Sedore, Thank you for opening a conversation about City of Olympia's recommended species for street tree plantings. Yesterday, I shared a few thoughts o

Liz & Jim Sedore

Feb 1, 2025, 3:36 PM (2 days ago)

JASEN, Thank you for your quick and thorough response. I have a couple of clarifying questions:

species palette offers "right tree, right place" guidance."

Concerning the City of Olympia Recommended Tree List, you wrote:
 "These trees were selected for their lack of rooting conflict with street and sidewalk infrastructure. This

Do you know where the City of Olympia got the data listing these species and varieties as trees that lack "rooting conflict with street and sidewalk infrastructure"?

2. Updates:

Are there any changes that you would make to the 2022 City of Olympia Recommended Street Tree List?

Thank you, Jim Sedore for the City of Tumwater Tree Board

Reply: Feb 3, 2025, 1050AM From: Jasen Johns to me, Alyssa, Trent Hi Jim (and hey-howdy, Alyssa & Trent!)

My predecessor, Shelly Bentley, was a wonderfully talented arborist and landscape architect (she designed trails when she worked for the National Park Service.) In formulating City of Olympia's tree list, she used pretty good professional judgement. When I look at her list, I evaluate it based on my professional judgement. Professional judgement is rooted in training and practice, but urban foresters and municipal arborists do listen to others' experiences with particular tree species as well.

Many factors bear consideration in selecting the right tree for the right place at the right time with the right care. Sometimes a tree species that makes an excellent street tree selection in one bioregion might be terrible choice in another bioregion

One cultivar that jumps out at me on the Olympia street tree list is Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'. While I planted many native black locusts in Atlanta, Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board considers black locust to be invasive. However, I have no experience with the 'Frisia' cultivar, so it might work well enough in Washington State. Before I would approve a proposed 'Frisia' planting, I'd have to do a bit more research, call Washington State University Cooperative Extension, or talk with my friends at Thurston Conservation District. Fortunately, nobody has proposed a black locust planting, yet.

Climate change is complicating tree species selection, too. Previously non-invasive introduced species can become invasive. Native species that previously thrived will no longer do well. The performance of tried-and-true species can go catawampus. By way of example, City of Olympia planted a dozen beautiful crab apples on Chestnut Street near East Budd Bay. The 2021 heat dome event badly sun-seared the western sides of those poor Malus trees' stems.

Trees For Seattle offers good guidance for trees used in their program: https://www.seattle.gov/trees/planting-and-care/tree-selection. My good friend Lou Stubecki worked for this program ere his retirement in 2024. I have had the good fortune of meeting more than my fair share of plant-savants in my life; Lou is definitely

one of them and any recommended plant species list he has put together is assuredly a good one.

In Tumwater, Alyssa has partnered with Arbor Day Foundation's Community Tree Distributions program. This Community-Based Forestry program utilizes a few new automated tools to prescribe tree species selections: https://www.arborday.org/our-work/community-tree-distributions

Best Regards, Jasen Johns

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*2 "Landscaping in The pacific northwest - Native plants" Updated 2008. WSU Extension

https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2079/2014/02/native-plants-2008.pdf

Native plant list: Trees:

- 1. Grand Fir Abies grandis X X X X X X 250
- 2. Vine Maple Acer circinatum X X X X X X 25
- 3. Big Leaf Maple Acer macrophyllum X X X X X 100
- 4. Red Alder Alnus rubra X X X X X X 120
- 5. Oregon Ash Fraxinus latifolia X X X X X 70
- 6. Pacific Crabapple Malus fusca X X X X X 40
- 7. Sitka Spruce Picea sitchensis X X X X X 200
- 8. Shore Pine Pinus contorta X X X X X X 50
- 9. Black Cottonwood Populus trichocarpa X X X X X 160
- 10. Bitter Cherry Prunus emarginata X X X X X 30
- 11. Douglas Fir **Pseudotsuga menziesii** X X X X X 250
- 12. Oregon White Oak Quercus garryanna X X X X X 75
- 13. Cascara Rhamnus purshiana X X X X X X X 30
- 14. Pacific Willow Salix lasiandra X X X X X 40
- 15. Scouler's Willow Salix scouleriana X X X X X 30
- 16. Pacific Yew Taxus brevifolia X X X X X 25
- 17. Western Red Cedar Thuja plicata
- 18. Western Hemlock Tsuga heterophylla X X X X 225

*3 https://green2.kingcounty.gov/gonative/Plant.aspx?Act=list

King County Native Plants List:

type common name	latin name	exposure	moisture	height (ft)	avail.	ease
Tree bigleaf maple	Acer macrophyllum	sun - shade	dry - moist	100	М	Н
Tree bitter cherry	Prunus emarginata	sun - part shade	dry - moist	30	М	М
Tree black cottonwood	Populus balsamifera	sun - part shade	moist - wet	160	М	Н
Tree black hawthorn	Crataegus douglasii	sun - part shade	moist - wet	30	М	М
Tree <u>cascara</u>	Rhamnus purshiana	sun - shade	dry - wet	30	M	M
Tree Douglas' Maple	Acer glabrum	sun - part shade	moist	30	М	Н

Tree Douglas-fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii	sun - part shade	dry - moist 2	250 M	І Н			
Tree grand fir	Abies grandis	sun - shade	dry - moist 2	250 H	М			
Tree Hookers willow	Salix hookeriana	sun	moist - wet 2	20 L	Н			
Tree madrone; madrona	Arbutus menziesii	sun - part shade	dry 9	90 M	l L			
Tree Oregon ash	Fraxinus latifoli	ia .	sun - pa	rt shade mo	oist - wet	70	М	M
Tree Oregon white oak; (Garry Quercus garrya	ana	sun - pa	rt shade dr	у	75	L	M
Tree Pacific crabapple	Malus fusca		sun - pa	rt shade mo	oist - wet	40	L	М
Tree Pacific dogwood	Cornus nuttallii		part sha	de dr	y - moist	60	М	L
Tree Pacific willow	Salix lasiandra		sun - pa	rt shade mo	oist - wet	40	М	Н
Tree paper birch	Betula papyrife	ra	sun - pa	rt shade mo	oist	90	М	M
Tree quaking aspen	Populus tremul	loides	Sun	mo	oist - wet	60	М	Н
Tree red alder	Alnus rubra		sun - pa	rt shade dr	y - wet	120	М	Н
Tree shore pine	Pinus contorta	var. contorta	sun - pa	rt shade dr	y - wet	50	М	Н
Tree Sitka spruce	Picea sitchensi	is .	sun - pa	rt shade mo	oist - wet	200	М	M
Tree Sitka willow	Salix sitchensis	s sun - part sha	ade moist – v	wet 30	М Н			
Tree slide alder	Alnus viridis	sun - part sha	ade Moist	30	L M			
Tree vine maple	Acer circinatum	part shade - shade	dry – mo	oist 25	н н			
Tree Western hemlock	Tsuga heterophylla	part shade - shade	moist –	wet 225	M M			
Tree Western redcedar	Thuja plicata	part shade - shade	moist –	wet 200	H M			
Tree Western white pine	Pinus monticol	a sun - part sha	ade dry – mo	oist 130	L L			
Tree <u>yew</u>	Taxus brevifolia	part shade - shade	dry – mo	oist 40	M L			

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