







































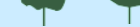






































































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|--|-----------------------|--------------------|---|---|----------------------|---|
| <b>Accolade Elm</b><br><i>Ulmus japonica wilsoniana</i>                                | 50-60'H<br>30-40'W    | Fast               |   |    | No                   |   |
| <b>American basswood</b><br><i>Tilia americana</i>                                     | 60-80'H<br>30-60'W    | Mod.               |    |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>American hazelnut</b><br><i>Corylus americana</i>                                   | 15-18'H<br>10-12'W    | Fast               |    |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>American hornbeam</b><br><i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>                                | 20-30'H<br>20-30'W    | Slow               |    |    | No                   |    |
| <b>Arrow-wood</b><br><i>Viburnum dentatum</i>  | 6-15'H<br>6-15'W      | Mod.               |   |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Bitternut Hickory</b><br><i>Carya cordiformis</i>                                   | 50-70'H<br>40-50'W    | Fast               |    |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Black Cherry</b><br><i>Prunus serotina</i>  | 50-60'H<br>20-30'W    | Fast               |   |   | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Black maple</b><br><i>Acer nigrum</i>   | 60-75'H<br>40-50'W    | Mod.               |   |  | No                   |   |
| <b>Black Oak</b><br><i>Quercus velutina</i>  | 50-60'H<br>40-60'W    | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Black Willow</b><br><i>Salix nigra</i>  | 30-60'H<br>30-60'W    | Fast               |  |  | No                   |  |
| <b>Bladdernut</b><br><i>Staphylea trifolia</i>   | 10-20'H<br>8-12'W     | Fast               |  |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Bur oak</b><br><i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>  | 70-80'H<br>70-80'W    | Slow               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Chinkapin Oak</b><br><i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i>                                   | 50-80'H<br>50-70'W    | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Chokecherry</b><br><i>Prunus virginiana</i>   | 20-30'H<br>15-20'W    | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Coralberry</b><br><i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i>                                 | 3-5'H<br>3-5'W        | Fast               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Crimson Maple</b><br><i>Acer platanoides 'Crimson King'</i>                         | 40'H<br>35'W          | Mod.               |   |  | No                   |   |
| <b>Eastern redbud</b><br><i>Cercis canadensis</i>                                      | 15-25'H<br>25-35'W    | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Elderberry</b><br><i>Sambucus canadensis</i>  | 5-12'H<br>6-10'W      | Fast               |  |  | Yes                  |  |

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| <b>Hackberry</b><br><i>Celtis occidentalis</i>   | 40-60'H<br>40-60'W    | Mod.               |    |    | Yes                  |    |
| <b>Heptacodium</b><br><i>Heptacodium miconioides</i>                                   | 15-20'H<br>8-10'W     | Mod.               |   |    | No                   |   |
| <b>Honey Locust (thornless)</b><br><i>Gleditsia triacanthos inermis</i>                | 30-40'H<br>25-30'W    | Fast               |   |    | No                   |   |
| <b>Hop-hornbeam (Ironwood)</b><br><i>Ostrya virginiana</i>                             | 25-40'H<br>15-40'W    | Slow               |    |    | No                   |    |
| <b>Japanese Tree Lilac</b><br><i>Syringa reticulata</i>                                | 20-30'H<br>15-25'W    | Mod.               |   |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Kentucky coffeetree</b><br><i>Gymnocladus dioica</i>                                | 60-70'H<br>40-50'W    | Slow               |    |    | Yes                  |   |
| <b>London Planetree</b><br><i>Platanus x acerfolia</i>                                 | 70-100'H<br>65-80'W   | Fast               |   |   | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Magnolia</b><br><i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>   | 60-80'H<br>30-50'W    | Mod.               |   |  | No                   |   |
| <b>Meadowsweet</b><br><i>Spirea alba (best in natural landscape)</i>                   | 3-4'H<br>3-4'W        | Fast               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Meadow Willow</b><br><i>Salix petiolaris</i>  | 5-15'H<br>4-10'W      | Fast               |  |  | No                   |  |
| <b>Nanny berry</b><br><i>Viburnum lentago</i>  | 15-20'H<br>6-12'W     | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |
| <b>Northern catalpa</b><br><i>Catalpa speciosa (best in natural landscape)</i>         | 40-60'H<br>20-40'W    | Fast               |   |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Northern pecan</b><br><i>Carya illinoensis</i>                                      | 70-100'H<br>40-75'W   | Mod.               |   |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Ohio buckeye</b><br><i>Aesculus glabra</i>  | 50'H<br>50'W          | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Pagoda Dogwood</b><br><i>Cornus alternifolia</i>                                    | 20-30'H<br>20-30'W    | Fast               |  |  | No                   |  |
| <b>Paw paw</b><br><i>Asimina triloba</i>   | 15-30'H<br>15-30'W    | Mod.               |   |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Persimmon</b><br><i>Diospyros virginiana</i>  | 35-60'H<br>20-35'W    | Slow               |   |  | Yes                  |   |
| <b>Prairie Crabapple/Iowa Crabapple</b><br><i>Malus ioensis</i>                        | 20-30'H<br>20-30'W    | Mod.               |  |  | Yes                  |  |

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| <b>Princeton Elm</b><br><i>Ulmus americana "princeton"</i>            | 50-70' H<br>30-50' W  | Fast        |   |    | No            |   |
| <b>Pussy Willow</b><br><i>Salix discolor</i>                          | 6-15' H<br>4-12' W    | Fast        |    |    | No            |    |
| <b>Quaking aspen</b><br><i>Populus tremuloides</i>                    | 40-50' H<br>20-30' W  | Fast        |   |    | No            |   |
| <b>Red Oak</b><br><i>Quercus rubra</i>                                | 60-75' H<br>60-75' H  | Mod.        |    |    | Yes           |    |
| <b>Redosier dogwood</b><br><i>Cornus stolonifera</i>                  | 6-10' H<br>6-10' H    | Fast        |   |    | Yes           |    |
| <b>River birch</b><br><i>Betula nigra (best in natural landscape)</i> | 60-80' H<br>40' W     | Fast        |    |     | No            |   |
| <b>Serviceberry</b><br><i>Amelanchier arborea</i>                     | 20-30' H<br>20-30' W  | Mod.        |    |    | Yes           |    |
| <b>Shagbark hickory</b><br><i>Carya ovata</i>                         | 60-80' H<br>30-50' W  | Slow        |   |   | Yes           |   |
| <b>Shellbark hickory</b><br><i>Carya laciniosa</i>                    | 75-100' H<br>50-75' W | Mod.        |  |  | Yes           |  |
| <b>Swamp white oak</b><br><i>Quercus bicolor</i>                      | 50-60' H<br>50-60' W  | Mod.        |  |  | Yes           |  |
| <b>Sycamore</b><br><i>Platanus occidentalis</i>                       | 75-100' H<br>50-70' W | Fast        |  |  | Yes           |   |
| <b>White oak</b><br><i>Quercus alba</i>                               | 50-80' H<br>80-100' W | Slow        |  |  | Yes           |  |

**Soil Conditions might not be favorable for the following:**

|  |                      |      |  |   |     |  |
|--|----------------------|------|--|---|-----|--|
| <b>Bald cypress</b><br><i>Taxodium distichum (best in natural landscape)</i> | 50-70' H<br>20-30' W | Mod  |  |  | No  |  |
| <b>Black hills spruce</b><br><i>Picea glauca var. dens</i>                   | 20-40' H<br>10-15' W | Slow |  |  | No  |  |
| <b>Tupelo</b><br><i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>                                      | 30-50' H<br>20-30' W | Slow |  |  | Yes |  |
| <b>White Pine</b><br><i>Pinus strobus</i>                                    | 50-80' H<br>20-40' W | Fast |  |  | No  |  |