



VILLAGE OF SCARSDALE
WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK

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Replacement Tree Listing – Amended December 2025

(List Developed with Assistance from Friends of Scarsdale Park, Conservation Advisory Council with Review from Village’s Arborist)

Summary: Trees serve a vital role in maintaining a healthy environment. They mitigate stormwater runoff, produce oxygen, absorb carbon dioxide, provide food and shelter for wildlife, beautify our neighborhoods, increase property values, and cool our homes and yards. Every tree matters, and every tree benefits its property owner and the community at large. Scarsdale’s Tree Code requires that replacement trees shall be at least 3 inches in diameter at the time of planting and shall be of a genus and species expected to grow to maturity at a size similar to removed trees where practical (ref. § 281-5 - Replacement trees). [Amended 2-13-2019 by L.L. No. 2-2019] The trees listed below are usually available at local nurseries. Residents should consult with nurseries and landscape contractor prior to making any decision for permit submission. Included below are the **average** mature height and width as well as growth rate for each tree. (H–Height; W–Width/Spread; GR–Growth Rate: **Slow** 12” or less per year, **Moderate** 13”-23” per year) Trees suitable for areas adjacent to overhead utility lines are noted with ******.

I. GROUP A – LARGER REMOVED TREES, NATIVE CANOPY OR FOR PARKS OR LARGE PROPERTIES

- Paper Birch (*Betula papyrifera*) H 50-70’ W 19-45’ GR Moderate (for cooler, moist lots)
- Yellow Buckeye (*Aesculus octandra*) H 60-80’ W 25-35’ GR Moderate
- Northern Catalpa (*Catalpa speciosa*) H 40-60’ W 20-40’ GR Moderate
- Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*) H 50-80’ W 30-60’ GR Moderate
- Elm, American (*Ulmus americana*) (Recommend Dutch Elm Disease-resistant cultivars, e.g. ‘Princeton’ and ‘Valley Forge’ and others) H 60-80’ W 40-70’ GR Moderate
- Sweet Gum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*) H 60-75’ W 40-60’ GR Moderate (Noted for spiked fruit) May consider *Liquidambar rotunda* for fruitless variety.
- Sour Gum/Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*) H 30-50’ W 20-30’ GR Slow
- Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*) H 40-60’ W 40-50’ GR Moderate
- Bitternut Hickory (*Carya cordiformis*) H 50-70’ W 30-50’ GR Slow
- Shagbark Hickory (*Carya ovata*) H 60-80’ W 30-50’ GR Slow
- Shellbark Hickory (*Carya laciniosa*) H 60-80’ W 30-50’ GR Slow (prefers moist conditions)
- Kentucky Coffee Tree (*Gymnocladus dioica*) H 60-75’ W 40-50’ GR Slow
- Linden, Basswood (*Tilia americana*) H 50-80’ W 30-50’ GR Moderate
- Honey Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) H 30-70’ W 30-70’ GR Fast (Recommend thorned

- variety, thornless variety susceptible to Asian mimosa webworm, thorns may be rigid)
- Cucumber Magnolia (*Magnolia acuminata*) H 40-70' W 20-35' GR Moderate
 - Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) H 40'-60' W 30'-45' GR Moderate
 - Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*) H 40-60' W 25-45' GR Slow (for cooler, moist lots)
 - Chestnut Oak (*Quercus prinus* or *montana*) H 50-70' W 50-70' GR Slow
 - Chinkapin Oak (*Quercus muehlenbergii*) H 40-60' W 50-70' GR Slow
 - Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*) H 50-75' W 50-75' GR Slow
 - Scarlet Oak (*Quercus coccinea*) H 50-70' W 40-50' GR Slow
 - Shingle Oak (*Quercus imbricaria*) H 40-60' W 40-60' GR Slow
 - Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*) H 50-70' W 40-50' GR Slow
 - Swamp White Oak (*Quercus bicolor*) H 50-60' W 50-60' GR Slow
 - White Oak (*Quercus alba*) H 50-80' W 50-80' GR Slow
 - Willow Oak (*Quercus phellos*) H 40-75' W 25-50' GR Slow
 - Sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*) H 30-60' W 25-40' GR Moderate
 - Sourwood (*Oxydendrum arboreum*) H 20-50' W 10-25' GR Slow
 - Sycamore, American (*Platanus occidentalis*) H 65-90' W 45-60' GR Moderate
 - Tulip Tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) H 60-90' W 30-50' GR Moderate (can get massive, not ideal for small lots)
 - Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*) H 50-75' W 50-75' GR Moderate
 - Butternut/White Walnut (*Juglans cinerea*) H 65-90' W 50-75' GR Moderate
 - Yellowwood (*Cladrastis kentuckea*) H 30-50' W 40-55' GR Moderate
 - Swamp Bald Cypress, (*Taxodium distichum*) H 50-70' W 20-30' GR Moderate (Consider for open wet sites, wetland or riparian buffer)
 - Trembling (Quaking) Aspen, (*Populus tremuloides*) H 40-60' W 25-45' GR Moderate
 - Cottonwood, (*Populus deltoides*) H 65-90' W 45-60' GR Moderate

II. GROUP B – SMALLER REMOVED TREES

- River Birch (*Betula nigra*) H 30-40' W 25-35' GR Moderate (Single trunk only, not bush)
- Ironwood, (*Carpinus caroliniana*) H 25-40' W 15-40' GR Slow
- Ohio Buckeye (*Aesculus glabra*) H 20-40' W 20-40' GR Moderate
- Sweet Crabapple (*Malus coronaria*) H 20-30' W 20-30' GR Moderate **
- Southern Crabapple (*Malus angustifolia*) H 25-30' W 25-30' GR Moderate **
- Fringe Tree (*Chionanthus virginicus*) H 12-20' W 12-20' GR Slow (Single trunk, not bush) **
- White Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*) H 15-30' W 15-30' GR Slow **
- Pink Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*) H 15-25' W 20-30' GR Moderate **
- Pagoda Dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*) H 15-25' W 20-30' GR Moderate **
- Cockspur Hawthorn (*Crataegus crus-galli*) H 20-30' W 20-35' GR Moderate (consider *Crataegus inermis* for thornless tree) **
- Washington Hawthorn (*Crataegus phaenopyrum*) H 25-30' W 20-25' GR Moderate **
- Winter King Hawthorn (*Crataegus viridis*) H 20-35' W 20-35' GR Moderate **
- American Hop Hornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*) H 25-40' W 20-30' GR Slow

- American Hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*) H 20'-35' W 20'-30' GR Slow
- Magnolia, Sweet Bay (*Magnolia virginiana*) H 10-35' W 10-35' GR Moderate
- Nannyberry (*Viburnum lentago*) H 25-30' W 20-25' GR Moderate (Single trunk only, not bush) **
- Pawpaw (*Asimina triloba*) H 15-20' W 15-20' GR Slow **
- Redbud and Whitebud (*Cercis canadensis*) H 20-30' W 25-35' GR Moderate **
- Shadblow serviceberry (*Amelanchier canadensis*) H 25-30' W 15-20' GR Moderate (Single-trunk tree form only, not bush) **
- Carolina Silverbell (*Halesia carolina*) H 30-40' W 20-35' GR Moderate **
- Smoke Tree (*Cotinus obovatus*) H 20-30' W 20-30' GR Moderate (Single trunk, not bush) **

III. GROUP C – REMOVED EVERGREEN TREES

- Atlantic White Cedar (*Chamaecyparis thyoides*) H 30-60' W10-20' GR Slow
- Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) H 30-65' W 8-25' GR Moderate
- Concolor, White Fir (*Abies concolor*) H 40-50' W20-30' GR Slow
- American Holly (*Ilex opaca*) H 40-50' W20-40' GR Slow (recommend male & female pairing)
- Eastern White Pine (*Pinus strobus*) H 50-80' W 20-40' GR Moderate (Does not prefer prolonged dry, heat conditions (drought). Prefers cooler climates)
- Eastern White Pine 'Columnar' (*Pinus strobus* 'slender varieties') H 30-40' W 10-15' GR Moderate
- Black Spruce (*Picea mariana*) H 15-50' W10-20' GR Slow (Consider for wet areas)
- Red Spruce (*Picea rubens*) H 60-80' W10-20' GR Slow
- White Spruce (*Picea glauca*) H 40-60' W 10-20' GR Slow
- Redwood, "Dawn" Redwood, (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*) H 120-150' W 50-75' GR Moderate to Fast Deciduous Conifer (Consider for large lots and open space, wetland riparian buffers)