

# Best of the Zoo

## Large Trees

### Top Picks

Planting shade trees is one of the most beneficial ways we can improve our landscape. Trees that will develop into large 50'+ specimens increase property values, shade our homes and landscapes, and raise our overall quality of life. Large trees are an integral piece of the puzzle to ensuring a diverse local ecosystem that supports many different species of birds and other wildlife. In our region, shade trees are always the most long-term, sustainable plants we can use. Plant a shade tree or two and improve our environment and the quality of life for us and many generations to come. For more photos and information on trees, go to [www.plantplaces.com](http://www.plantplaces.com).



Skyline Honeylocust



American Beech



Dawn Redwood



Wright Brothers Sugar Maple



Autumn Gold Ginkgo



Bonfire Sugar Maple



Bald Cypress



White Oak



Scarlet Oak

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Experience the Botanical Side of the Zoo.

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50' and larger

Plant Name	Sustainability (1-5)	Fall Color
*Acer x freemanii Autumn Blaze® - Autumn Blaze® Maple	4	Red
Acer x freemanii 'Autumn Fantasy' - Autumn Fantasy Maple	4	Red
Acer x freemanii Celebration® - Celebration® Maple	4	Fair
Acer x freemanii Sienna Glen® - Sienna Glen® Maple	4	Fair
*Acer saccharum - Sugar Maple	5	Yellow, Orange, Red
*Acer saccharum 'Green Mountain' - Green Mountain Sugar Maple	5	Orange-Red
*Acer saccharum 'Legacy' - Legacy Sugar Maple	5	Yellow, Orange, Red
*Acer saccharum Bonfire™ - Bonfire™ Sugar Maple	5	Orange to Red
*Acer saccharum Fall Fiesta® - Fall Fiesta® Sugar Maple	5	Orange to Red
*Aesculus flava - Yellow Buckeye	4	Yellow
Betula nigra - River Birch	4	Yellow
*Betula nigra Heritage® - Heritage® River Birch	4	Yellow
Betula nigra Dura-Heat® - Dura-Heat® River Birch	4	Yellow
*Carya illinoensis - Pecan	5	Greenish-Yellow
Carya laciniata - Shellbark Hickory	5	Greenish-Yellow
Catalpa speciosa - Northern Catalpa	4	Greenish-Yellow
Celtis laevigata - Sugarberry	4	Yellow
Celtis occidentalis - Hackberry	4	Greenish-Yellow
Celtis occidentalis 'Prairie Pride' - Prairie Pride Hackberry	4	Greenish-Yellow
Fagus grandifolia - American Beech	5	Golden-Yellow
Ginkgo biloba - Ginkgo or Maidenhair Tree	5	Golden-Yellow
*Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold' - Autumn Gold Ginkgo or Maidenhair Tree	5	Golden-Yellow
Ginkgo biloba Presidential Gold® - Presidential Gold® Ginkgo or Maidenhair Tree	3	Golden-Yellow
Ginkgo biloba 'Princeton Sentry' - Princeton Sentry Ginkgo or Maidenhair Tree	3	Golden-Yellow
*Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis Skyline® - Skyline® Thornless Honeylocust	5	Yellow
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Moraine' - Moraine Thornless Honeylocust	5	Yellow
*Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis Shademaster® - Shademaster Thornless Honeylocust	5	Yellow
Gymnocladus dioica - Kentucky Coffeetree	4	Yellow
*Gymnocladus dioica Espresso™ - Espresso™ Kentucky Coffeetree	4	Yellow
Gymnocladus dioica 'Kentucky Colonel' - Kentucky Colonel Kentucky Coffeetree	4	Yellow
Liquidambar styraciflua - Sweetgum	4	Yellow, Orange, Red
Liriodendron tulipifera - Tuliptree, Tulip Poplar	4	Yellow
Maclura pomifera 'Whiteshield' - Whiteshield Osage Orange	4	Yellow
*Magnolia acuminata - Cucumber Magnolia	4	Yellow, Brown
*Metasequoia glyptostroboides - Dawn Redwood	4	Russet
Metasequoia glyptostroboides 'Ogon' - Ogon Dawn Redwood	3	Russet
*Nyssa sylvatica - Blackgum	4	Orange, Red
*Nyssa sylvatica Red Rage® - Red Rage® Blackgum	4	Red
Nyssa sylvatica 'Wildfire' - Wildfire Blackgum	4	Orange, Red
Platanus occidentalis - Sycamore	4	Greenish-Yellow
Platanus x acerifolia 'Bloodgood' - Bloodgood London Planetree	5	Greenish-Yellow
*Platanus x acerifolia Exclamation!™ - Exclamation!™ London Planetree	5	Greenish-Yellow
*Quercus alba - White Oak	5	Burgandy, Red
*Quercus bicolor - Swamp White Oak	5	Yellow
*Quercus coccinea - Scarlet Oak	5	Yellow-Brown to Scarlet Red
*Quercus imbricaria - Shingle Oak	5	Yellow, Brown
*Quercus macrocarpa - Bur Oak	5	Yellow, Brown
*Quercus muehlenbergii - Chinkapin Oak	5	Yellow, Brown
*Quercus palustris - Pin Oak	5	Brownish-Red

Plant Name	Sustainability (1-5)	Fall Color
*Quercus phellos - Willow Oak	5	Yellow
*Quercus rubra - Red Oak	5	Yellow-Brown, Red
*Quercus shumardii - Shumard Oak	5	Yellow-Brown, Red
Sophora (Styphnolobium) japonica - Japanese Pagoda Tree	4	Yellow
*Taxodium distichum - Bald Cypress	5	Russet
*Taxodium 'Shawnee Brave' - Shawnee Brave® Bald Cypress	5	Russett
*Tilia americana - American Linden, Basswood	5	Yellow
*Tilia americana 'American Sentry' - American Sentry American Linden, Basswood	5	Yellow
*Tilia x euchlora 'Redmond' - Redmond Linden	5	Yellow
*Ulmus americana 'Valley Forge' - Valley Forge American Elm	5	Yellow
Ulmus americana 'Princeton' - Princeton American Elm	5	Yellow
Ulmus americana 'New Harmony' - New Harmony American Elm	3	Yellow
Ulmus 'Frontier' - Frontier Hybrid Elm	3	Burgundy
*Ulmus Accolade™ - Accolade™ Hybrid Elm	4	Yellow
Ulmus Triumph™ - Triumph™ Hybrid Elm	4	Yellow
Ulmus 'Patriot' - Patriot Hybrid Elm	4	Yellow
Ulmus 'Prospector' - Prospector Hybrid Elm	4	Yellow
Ulmus parvifolia - Chinese Elm	5	Greenish-Yellow, Orange
Ulmus parvifolia Allee® - Allee® Chinese Elm	5	Greenish-Yellow, Orange
*Zelkova serrata - Japanese Zelkova	5	Greenish-Yellow, Orange
*Zelkova serrata 'Green Vase' - Green Vase Japanese Zelkova	5	Greenish-Yellow, Orange
*Zelkova serrata 'Village Green' - Village Green Japanese Zelkova	5	Greenish-Yellow, Orange

Key: Wet Soil Tolerant   
 Native   
 Highly Recommended 



Japanese Zelkova



Princeton American Elm