

# Tree Species: A Short List

Choosing which species to plant can seem daunting. Here is a short list of easy-to-find trees that Casey Trees has had success with in the past. Tree species native to the Mid-Atlantic region are highlighted with an asterisk.

## Small/Flowering Species

Serviceberry (*Amelanchier*)\*  
American Hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*)\*  
Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)\*  
Crapemyrtle (*Lagerstroemia indica*)  
Sweet Bay Magnolia (*Magnolia virginiana*)\*  
American Hophornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*)\*

## Medium Species

River Birch (*Betula nigra*)\*  
Katsura Tree (*Cercidiphyllum japonicum*)  
American Yellowwood (*Cladrastis kentukea*)\*  
Honeylocust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*)\*  
Yoshino Cherry (*Prunus x yedoensis*)

## Large/Shade Species

Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*)\*  
Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*)\*  
Ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba*)  
Sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*)\*  
Tuliptree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)\*  
Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)\*  
Chinese Pistachia (*Pistachia chinensis*)  
London Planetree (*Platanus x acerifolia*)  
Swamp White Oak (*Quercus bicolor*)\*  
Overcup Oak (*Quercus lyrata*)\*  
Willow Oak (*Quercus phellos*)\*  
Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)\*  
Littleleaf Linden (*Tilia cordata*)  
Silver Linden (*Tilia tomentosa*)  
Chinese Elm (*Ulmus parvifolia*)

## Evergreen Species

Deodra Cedar (*Cedrus deodara*)  
Japanese Cryptomeria (*Cryptomeria Japonica*)  
Eastern Redcedar (*Juniperus virginiana*)\*  
Southern Magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*)\*  
White pine (*Pinus strobes*)\*

### DO NOT PLANT

The following species are invasive or problematic, and we discourage their planting:

Norway Maple (*Acer platanoides*)  
Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)  
Mimosa (*Albizia julibrissin*)  
Ash (*Fraxinus*) – due to  
Bradford Pear (*Pyrus calleryana*)  
Sawtooth Oak (*Quercus acutissima*)  
Siberian elm (*Ulmus pumila*)

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