Dear Member,

Thank you for contributing to the Arbor Day Foundation and for sharing our mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. Please enjoy these free trees as a sign of our appreciation.

Your trees have arrived in a bundle; please separate them before planting. Included is a guide to help identify your plants and ensure proper planting conditions. Complete planting and transplanting instructions are in the enclosed Tree Planting Guide, and more information is available online at arborday.org/planting.

Because we want your planting experience to be successful, your trees are guaranteed to arrive healthy and to grow, or they will be replaced within one year of shipment.

If you need further assistance, please contact Member Services at info@arborday.org or 888-448-7337.

Best regards,

The Arbor Day Foundation Team
START HERE: Guide to Your New Trees

Please refer to the information below to identify each tree or shrub species in your bundle and to ensure proper planting sites and conditions for each.

**IDENTIFICATION CHART**

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**EASTERN REDBUD** *Cercis canadensis*

- **Number of trees:** 5
- **Paint color:** NO PAINT
- Small, rosy pink spring flowers are followed by reddish-purple leaves in summer that turn yellow in fall. The shiny reddish-brown 2"-3" seed pods remain on the tree throughout winter.
- **Mature Height:** 20'–30'
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 25'–35'
- **Growth Rate:** Medium (13"–24" per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic or Alkaline, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained

**WHITE FLOWERING DOGWOOD** *Cornus florida*

- **Number of trees:** 5
- **Paint color:** WHITE
- Showy, white spring petal-like bracts are followed by glossy red ½" fruits that ripen in fall and linger into winter. Summer's dark green leaves turn red-purple in fall. This tree has a high wildlife value.
- **Mature Height:** 20'–25'
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 25'
- **Growth Rate:** Medium (13"–24" per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained

**CRAPEMYRTLE** *Lagerstroemia indica*

- **Number of shrubs:** 2
- **Paint color:** RED BAG
- The striking flowers have wrinkled petals like crepe paper in colors of white, pink, or red. They bloom from late spring to fall. The leaves in summer are dark green, changing in fall to yellows, oranges, and reds. Exfoliating thin gray bark exposes a smooth, varied-colored under bark ranging from brown to gray.
- **Mature Height:** 15'–20'
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 6'–15'
- **Growth Rate:** Medium (13"–24" per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic or Alkaline, Drought-tolerant, Moist, Well-drained