

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 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/plant or by scanning the QR code below.

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



Scan for tree planting instructions by opening the camera app on your smartphone.



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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

10 Norway Spruce Trees + 2 Fragrant Purple Lilacs (Tree Package 6723)

Species	Bark ID Color
10 Norway Spruces (<i>Picea abies</i>)	None
2 Fragrant Purple Lilacs (<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>)	Light Blue

NORWAY SPRUCE *Picea abies*



Number of Trees: 10

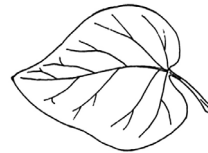
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The **Norway Spruce** is a familiar sight throughout the United States. Growing in a pyramidal form, the young branches grow upward, and as the tree matures, lower branches droop and all branches assume a slight upward sweep. Secondary branches give it a graceful appearance. The stiff, dark green needles are retained on the tree for several years before dropping. Cones 4"-6" long are formed around age 30. The seeds and tender foliage are eaten by birds and mammals, while lower branches offer protective cover for larger animals.

Recommended windbreak spacing is 6'-13' between trees and 16'-25' between rows. For a hedge, shear the new shoots while the year's growth is still soft.

Mature Height	40'-60'
Mature Canopy Spread	25'-30'
Growth Rate	Medium (13"-24" per year) to Fast (25" or greater per year)
Sun Preference	Full Sun
Soil Preference	Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

FRAGRANT PURPLE LILAC *Syringa vulgaris*



Number of Shrubs: 2

Bark ID color: LIGHT BLUE

The **Fragrant Purple Lilac** is a large shrub that has an irregularly rounded outline with strong wood stems and dark green to blue-green leaves. The fragrant flowers are borne in panicles 4"-8" long in shades of lilac, light purple, or lavender in late spring. This lilac attracts butterflies and provides nesting sites and cover for birds.

Plant 3'-4' apart for a hedge. Flowers should be removed as soon as they fade. The best time to prune lilacs is just after flowering. Rejuvenate lilacs by pruning out the oldest one-third of stems each year, while at the same time removing any conflicting branches or sucker growth.

Mature Height	10'-20'
Mature Canopy Spread	10'-20'
Growth Rate	Fast (25" or more per year)
Sun Preference	Full Sun, Partial Shade
Soil Preference	Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained