**START HERE:** Guide to Your New Trees

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

### IDENTIFICATION CHART

**10 Shade Trees (Tree Package 1211)**

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**BALDCYPRESS** *Taxodium distichum*

- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** LIGHT BLUE
- The short, needle-like leaves emerge yellow-green in spring, turning soft green in summer and reddish or orange-brown in fall. It produces ½”–1½” cones annually.

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### Northern Red Oak (Quercus rubra)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Red
- After 25 years, it produces ¾"-1" acorns. Leaves are a shiny green in summer, turning russet-red to bright red in fall.
- **Mature Height:** 60’-75’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 45’
- **Growth Rate:** Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

### Pin Oak (Quercus palustris)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Pink
- Leaves are a glossy dark green in summer, turning scarlet to bronze in fall. After 20 years, it produces ½” acorns.
- **Mature Height:** 60’-70’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 25’-40’
- **Growth Rate:** Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

### Red Maple (Acer rubrum)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Orange
- Emerging leaves are reddish-tinged, gradually changing to medium or dark green with red stems throughout spring and summer. Seeds ripen in spring, and leaves turn to crimson red in fall.
- **Mature Height:** 40’-60’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 40’
- **Growth Rate:** Medium (13”-24” per year) to Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

### River Birch (Betula nigra)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Gold
- Has cinnamon-colored exfoliating bark and lustrous medium green leaves in summer that turn a soft yellow in fall. It likes to be near water but can adapt.
- **Mature Height:** 40’-70’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 40’
- **Growth Rate:** Medium (13”-24” per year) to Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

### Silver Maple (Acer saccharinum)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Silver
- The seeds ripen in late spring to early summer. In summer, the leaves are green on top with a silvery-white underside. They turn yellow in the fall. Place at least 10’ from sidewalk or drive.
- **Mature Height:** 50’-80’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 35’-50’

### Sugar Maple (Acer saccharum)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Dark Blue
- Dark green summer leaves turn into brilliant shades of yellow, orange, or red in the fall. The seeds ripen just before the leaves fall.
- **Mature Height:** 60’-75’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 40’-50’
- **Growth Rate:** Slow (12” or less per year) to Medium (13”-24” per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic or Alkaline, Drought-tolerant, Well-drained

### Thornless Honeylocust (Gleditsia triacanthos f. inermis)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** Yellow
- Fragrant, yellow spring flowers precede summer’s bright green leaves, which turn yellow-green in fall. Long, leathery seed pods ripen in autumn.
- **Mature Height:** 30’-70’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 50’
- **Growth Rate:** Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic or Alkaline, Moist, Dry, and Salty

### Tuliptree (Liriodendron tulipifera)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** White
- Bright green leaves with aromatic stems change to golden yellow in fall. In spring, large, cup-shaped, greenish-yellow flowers attract ruby-throated hummingbirds, while squirrels and birds are drawn to the tuliptree’s seeds.
- **Mature Height:** 70’-90’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 40’
- **Growth Rate:** Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

### Weeping Willow (Salix babylonica)
- **Number of trees:** 1
- **Bark ID color:** None
- It has a wide, open crown of ground-sweeping branches with light green leaves. It grows well near water.
- **Mature Height:** 30’-40’
- **Mature Canopy Spread:** 35’
- **Growth Rate:** Fast (25” or more per year)
- **Sun Preference:** Full Sun, Partial Shade
- **Soil Preference:** Acidic or Alkaline, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet