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## 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)

Species	Bark ID Color
1 Baldcypress ( <i>Taxodium distichum</i> )	Light Blue
1 Northern Red Oak ( <i>Quercus rubra</i> )	Red
1 Pin Oak ( <i>Quercus palustris</i> )	Pink
1 Red Maple ( <i>Acer rubrum</i> )	Orange
1 River Birch ( <i>Betula nigra</i> )	Gold
1 Silver Maple ( <i>Acer saccharinum</i> )	Silver
1 Sugar Maple ( <i>Acer saccharum</i> )	Dark Blue
1 Thornless Honeylocust ( <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> f. <i>inermis</i> )	Yellow
1 Tuliptree ( <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> )	White
1 Weeping Willow ( <i>Salix babylonica</i> )	None

### 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.

**Mature Height**  
**Mature Canopy Spread**  
**Growth Rate**  
**Sun Preference**  
**Soil Preference**

50'–70'  
25'  
Medium (13"–24" per year)  
Full Sun  
Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Moist, Sandy,  
Well-drained, or Wet

## NORTHERN RED OAK *Quercus rubra*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: RED</b>
After 25 years, it produces ¾"-1" acorns. Leaves are a shiny green in summer, turning russet-red to bright red in fall.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	60'–75'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	45'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

## PIN OAK *Quercus palustris*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: PINK</b>
Leaves are a glossy dark green in summer, turning scarlet to bronze in fall. After 20 years, it produces ½" acorns.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	60'–70'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	25'–40'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

## RED MAPLE *Acer rubrum*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: ORANGE</b>
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.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	40'–60'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	40'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Medium (13"–24" per year) to Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun, Partial Shade
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-Drained or Wet

## RIVER BIRCH *Betula nigra*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: GOLD</b>
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.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	40'–70'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	40'–60'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Medium (13"–24" per year) to Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun, Partial Shade
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

## SILVER MAPLE *Acer saccharinum*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: SILVER</b>
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.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	50'–80'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	35'–50'

## SILVER MAPLE *Acer saccharinum*

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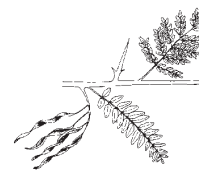
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun, Partial Shade
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Drought-tolerant, Moist

## SUGAR MAPLE *Acer saccharum*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: DARK BLUE</b>
Dark green summer leaves turn into brilliant shades of yellow, orange, or red in the fall. The seeds ripen just before the leaves fall.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	60'–75'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	40'–50'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Slow (12" or less per year) to Medium (13"–24" per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun, Partial Shade
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic or Alkaline, Drought-tolerant, Well-drained

## THORNLESS HONEYLOCUST *Gleditsia triacanthos* f. *inermis*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: YELLOW</b>
Fragrant, yellow spring flowers precede summer's bright green leaves, which turn yellow-green in fall. Long, leathery seed pods ripen in autumn.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	30'–70'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	50'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic or Alkaline, Moist, Dry, and Salty

## TULIPTREE *Liriodendron tulipifera*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: WHITE</b>
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.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	70'–90'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	40'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

## WEeping WILLOW *Salix babylonica*



<b>Number of trees: 1</b>	<b>Bark ID color: NONE</b>
It has a wide, open crown of ground-sweeping branches with light green leaves. It grows well near water.	
<b>Mature Height</b>	30'–40'
<b>Mature Canopy Spread</b>	35'
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Fast (25" or more per year)
<b>Sun Preference</b>	Full Sun, Partial Shade
<b>Soil Preference</b>	Acidic or Alkaline, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet