

# Street Trees for Iowa Communities

This document offers tree selection suggestions (species and cultivars) for use along neighborhood and municipal streets. This list is not meant to be all-inclusive, but is a good starting point for homeowners, nursery and landscape professionals, landscape architects, and city planners looking for well-adapted, tough, and pest-resistant trees for Iowa communities. With that said, not all trees on this list will thrive in every landscape situation. Great care must be taken to carefully match trees to sites (including above- and below-ground spatial and environmental constraints) and to complement existing plants so that a diverse, functional, and attractive tree canopy can be created and maintained. Finally, conifers (excepting a few deciduous conifers) are generally inappropriate for use along city streets and therefore are not included here.

<u>Tree (species and notable cultivars)</u>	<u>Height/Width</u>	<u>Growth Habit</u>
<i>Acer campestre</i> – hedge maple		
'JFS Shichtel 2' ( <b>Streetside® Maple</b> )	35'/18'	Narrow oval
<i>Acer ×freemanii</i> – Freeman maple		
'Jeffersred' ( <b>Autumn Blaze® Maple</b> )	50'/40'	Broad oval
'AF#1' ( <b>Firefall™ Maple</b> )	50'/35'	Upright oval
'Marmo'	55'/45'	Upright oval
'Sienna' ( <b>Sienna Glen® Maple</b> )	50'/35'	Pyramidal
<i>Acer miyabei</i> – Miyabe maple		
'Morton' ( <b>State Street® Maple</b> )	50'/35'	Upright oval
<i>Acer nigrum</i> – black maple	60'/60'	Round spreading
<i>Acer rubrum</i> – red maple		
'JFS-KW78' ( <b>Armstrong Gold® Maple</b> )	40'/12'	Narrow upright
'Franksred' ( <b>Red Sunset® Maple</b> )	45'/35'	Upright oval
'Frank Jr.' ( <b>Redpointe® Maple</b> )	45'/30'	Broad pyramidal

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<i>Acer saccharum</i> – sugar maple		
'Barrett Cole' ( <b>Apollo® Maple</b> )	30'/10'	Narrow upright
'Bailsta' ( <b>Fall Fiesta® Maple</b> )	50'/40'	Broad oval
'Green Mountain'	50'/40'	Broad oval
'Sugar Cone'	25'/13'	Dwarf pyramid
<i>Acer triflorum</i> – three-flower maple	25'/20'	Broad oval
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> – American hornbeam	25'/20'	Broad oval
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i> – hackberry	60'/40'	Upright/arching
<i>Cladrastis kentukea</i> – yellowwood	50'/40'	Upright oval
<i>Cornus mas</i> – Corneliancherry dogwood		
'Golden Glory'	22'/18'	Broad oval
'JFS-PN4Legacy' ( <b>Saffron Sentinel®</b> )	22'/12'	Columnar
<i>Corylus colurna</i> – Turkish filbert	40'/30'	Pyramidal
<i>Crataegus phaenopyrum</i> – Washington hawthorn	25'/20'	Broad oval
<i>Crataegus viridis</i> – green hawthorn		
'Winter King'	20'/25'	Wide vase-shape
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> – ginkgo (male selections are fruitless)		
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> var. <i>inermis</i> – honeylocust		
'Draves' ( <b>Street Keeper® honeylocust</b> )	45'/20'	Narrow upright
'Harve' ( <b>Northern Acclaim® honeylocust</b> )	45'/35'	Broad pyramid
'Skycole' ( <b>Skyline® honeylocust</b> )	45'/35'	Pyramidal
<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i> – Kentucky coffeetree (male selections are fruitless)	60'/40'	Oval to vase-shape
<i>Maackia amurensis</i> – Amur maackia	25'/20'	Upright vase-shape

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<i>Malus</i> spp. – crabapple		
'Adirondack'	18'/10'	Dense upright
'JFS-KW214MX' ( <b>Ivory Spear™ Crab</b> )	18'/7'	Narrow
'JFS-KW213MX' ( <b>Raspberry Spear™ Crab</b> )	20'/8'	Narrow
'JFS-KW5' ( <b>Royal Raindrops® Crab</b> )	20'/15'	Upright spreading
'JFS-KW139MX' ( <b>Ruby Dayze™ Crab</b> )	22'/16'	Upright oval
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> – black gum (black tupelo) (many excellent cultivars available)	35'/20'	Pyramidal
<i>Ostrya virginiana</i> – American hophornbeam	40'/25'	Upright oval
<i>Platanus ×acerifolia</i> – London planetree		
'Morton Circle' ( <b>Exclamation!® Planetree</b> )	55'/35'	Upright pyramidal
<i>Prunus sargentii</i> – Sargent cherry		
'JFS-KW58' ( <b>Pink Flair® Cherry</b> )	25'/15'	Upright vase-shape
<i>Quercus alba</i> – white oak	50'/50'	Spreading
<i>Quercus bicolor</i> – swamp white oak	60'/60'	Upright spreading
<i>Quercus ×bimundorum</i> – English/white oak		
'Crimschmidt' ( <b>Crimson Spire™ Oak</b> )	45'/15'	Columnar
'Midwest' ( <b>Prairie Stature™ Oak</b> )	50'/40'	Broad pyramid
<i>Quercus imbricaria</i> – shingle oak	50'/40'	Broad oval
<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> – bur oak	55'/45'	Broad and open
'JFS-KW3' ( <b>Urban Pinnacle® Oak</b> )	55'/25'	Narrow pyramid
<i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i> – chinkapin oak	45'/45'	Round open
<i>Quercus ×warei</i> – Ware's Oak		
'Nadler' ( <b>Kindred Spirit® Oak</b> )	30'/6'	Tightly columnar
'Long' ( <b>Regal Prince® Oak</b> )	45'/18'	Narrow oval
<i>Quercus rubra</i> – red oak	60'/60'	Rounded
<i>Syringa reticulata</i> – Japanese tree lilac	20'/20'	Rounded
<i>Syringa reticulata</i> subsp. <i>pekinensis</i> – Pekin lilac	20'/20'	Rounded'
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> – baldcypress	55'/30'	Pyramidal

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<i>Tilia americana</i> – American linden		
'Boulevard'	50'/25'	Narrow pyramid
'McKSentry' ( <b>American Sentry® Linden</b> )	45'/30'	Pyramidal
'Redmond'	50'/35'	Pyramidal
<i>Tilia cordata</i> – littleleaf linden		
'Corzam' ( <b>Corinthian® Linden</b> )	45'/15'	Narrow pyramid
'Ronald' ( <b>Norlin™ Linden</b> )	40'/30'	Pyramidal
<i>Tilia cordata</i> × <i>mongolica</i>		
'Harvest Gold'	40'/30'	Pyramidal
<i>Tilia</i> × <i>flavescens</i> 'Glenleven'	50'/30'	Pyramidal
<i>Tilia tomentosa</i> – silver linden	45'/35'	Pyramidal
<i>Ulmus americana</i> – American elm		
'Jefferson'	70'/50'	Vase-shaped
'Princeton'	60'/40'	Vase-shaped
'Lewis & Clark' ( <b>Prairie Expedition® Elm</b> )	55'/60'	Broad rounded
Additional hybrid elm cultivars		
'Morton' ( <b>Accolade™ Elm</b> )	70'/60'	Vase-shaped
'Morton Glossy' ( <b>Triumph™ Elm</b> )	55'/45'	Upright oval
'New Horizon'	55'/40'	Upright oval
'Prospector'	40'/30'	Vase-shaped
'Discovery'	50'/40'	Vase-shaped

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