

Trees and Shrubs for Urban/Suburban Streambank Landscapes in Western Washington

The following is a list of trees and shrubs with the potential to be used in residential landscapes along Clarks Creek and other waterways in western Washington. The list was developed to expand the pallet of plants available for streamside landscaping. To create the expanded list, existing lists from a number of sources recommending plants for streamside restoration were examined and plants deemed appropriate for residential landscapes were incorporated into this list. The list was then extensively supplemented with a wide range of new plants, particularly adding types that homeowners would be likely to encounter in local nurseries.

Trees and shrubs on this list can be planted by Urban/Suburban homeowners to enhance or restore the developed riparian landscape. Stream or creek restoration is the process of repairing waterways that have been denuded, damaged by erosion, or overrun by invasive plants like Himalayan blackberry. The primary goals are cleaner water, stream bank stabilization, and improved habitat for aquatic species and wildlife. Using plants can help with these goals and also help to filter pollutants from storm water run-off before entering the water supply.

This plant list was created to help homeowners and landscapers select trees and shrubs that will do well for streambank and creek restoration in residential areas. The list includes Washington State native and non-native plants and clones that are suitable for creek or stream bank planting. Clones are plants that have been selected for specific desirable qualities of landscape importance and these qualities are maintained through vegetative propagation. When planting clonal or 'named' plants, the consumer is assured the plant will come true to type for the desirable qualities. Because they have been selected for specific desirable landscape qualities such as size, form, crown configuration, leaf shape or fall color, clones may be more desirable in the developed landscape that is characterized by typical urban/suburban residential lots.

Water requirements for the listed plants are included with the assumption that they will be planted along a creek or stream. Be sure to select plants according to their moisture needs. Plants along the stream bank will receive more water and potential flooding than plants farther away from the water line. Summer irrigation will be necessary during the first couple of years after planting to help establish these plants or during periods of summer drought. All plants should have regular water until established. Moisture requirements are described as follows:

Wet – soil very rarely or never dries out, periodic or frequent standing or flowing water. Soils may be saturated for long periods of the year. May need extra water during dry summers.

Moist – soil is damp much of the year but may dry out completely during late summer drought; no standing water, periodically moist or saturated during storms.

Dry – soil is quick to dry and drains well, infrequently subject to inundation or saturation.

Plants on this list have been selected to be typically cold hardy in western Washington however individual microclimates vary with respect to slope, aspect and proximity to water bodies. If you are in a colder location extra consideration should be given to cold hardiness during plant selection. The United States Department of Agriculture plant hardiness zones for western Washington are typically zones 6a to 9a with an average annual low temperature range of -10° to 20°F. The 2012 USDA plant Hardiness Zone Map is available and searchable by zip code at the following website: <http://planthardiness.ars.usda.gov/PHZMWeb/>

Great Plant Picks is an educational program of the Elisabeth C. Miller Botanical Garden that lists recommendations for outstanding plants that do well in the maritime Pacific Northwest region, west of the Cascade Mountains from Eugene, Oregon, USA to Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Great Plant Picks are

highlighted below in tan and noted with **GPP** in the column headed 'Native/Other' on the following list. Plants available for viewing in the WSU Puyallup Clarks Creek Urban/Suburban Streamside Demonstration Landscape are highlighted in yellow with a **CC** code in the 'Native/Other' column. Plants highlighted in green with an **RG** code can be seen in the WSU Rain Garden/Low Impact Development Research Area. Plants coded CC and RG are planted and can be viewed at the Washington State University Research and Extension Center in Puyallup, WA located at 2606 W Pioneer Ave, Puyallup, WA 98371 (see <http://puyallup.wsu.edu/> for directions or call 1 (253) 445-4500 for more information).

Plant Name	Evergreen/ Deciduous	Growth rate	Height (feet)	Exposure	Moisture requirements	Flower color & Season	Comments	Native /Other
TREES								
<i>Abies grandis</i> (Grand fir)	Evergreen	Moderate	150-300	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Large robust cones	Yes GPP
<i>Acer buergerianum</i> (Trident maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	20-25	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – spring	Fall color; attractive flaking bark on older trees	
<i>Acer campestre</i> (Hedge maple)	Deciduous	Slow	30	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring	Fall color	
<i>Acer circinatum</i> (Vine maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-25	Part sun to shade	Wet to moist	Red/pink - spring	Fall color	Yes CC
<i>Acer circinatum</i> 'Monroe' (Cutleaf vine maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-15	Full sun to shade	Wet to moist	Red/pink – spring	Fall color	Yes
<i>Acer circinatum</i> 'Pacific Fire' (Red-bark vine maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	12-18	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Red – spring	Fall color; red stems in fall winter	Yes GPP
<i>Acer griseum</i> (Paperbark maple)	Deciduous	Slow	15-25	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Peeling bark; fall color	
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i> (Big leaf maple)	Deciduous	Fast	30-95	Sun to shade	Moist to dry	White - spring	Fall color	Yes
<i>Acer negundo</i> (Box elder)	Deciduous	Fast	30-60	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	White – spring	Fall color	
<i>Acer palmatum</i> (Japanese maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-25	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Red – early summer	Fall color; many cultivars available	
<i>Acer palmatum</i> 'Sango Kaku' (Coral bark Japanese maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – spring	Coral red bark; fall color	
<i>Acer rubrum</i> (Red maple)	Deciduous	Fast	35-50	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Red – spring	Fall color; many cultivars available	
<i>Acer triflorum</i> (Roughbark maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	25-30	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color; rough, knobby trunk	
<i>Acer truncatum</i> (Shantung maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	20-25	Full sun	Moist to dry	Pink – spring	Fall color	
<i>Acer truncatum</i> × <i>A. platanoides</i> 'Warrenred' (Pacific Sunset™ maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	30-35	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – spring	Fall color	RG
<i>Alnus incana</i> spp. <i>tenuifolia</i> (Thinleaf elder)	Deciduous	Fast	20-40	Full sun to part shade	Wet to Moist	Cone	Accent tree; small cones	Yes

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<i>Alnus rubra</i> (Red alder)	Deciduous	Fast	70-80	Full sun	Moist	Cone	Canopy	Yes
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i> 'Smokey' (Saskatoon serviceberry)	Deciduous	Fast	10-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – Spring	Edible fruits; fall color	Yes CC
<i>Amelanchier</i> × <i>grandiflora</i> 'Autumn Brilliance' (Hybrid serviceberry)	Deciduous	Fast	20-25	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Spring Flowers; edible fruits in summer; fall color	RG
<i>Amelanchier</i> × <i>grandiflora</i> 'Cole's Select' (Hybrid serviceberry)	Deciduous	Fast	15-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Spring flowers, edible fruits in summer, fall color	
<i>Amelanchier laevis</i> (Serviceberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White - spring	Showy spring flowers, edible fruits in summer, fall color	
<i>Arbutus menziesii</i> (Pacific madrone)	Evergreen	Slow	20-50	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Peeling bark	Yes RG
<i>Betula albosinensis</i> 'Septentrionalis' (Chinese red birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	40-60	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Green – spring	Peeling copper-orange bark	GPP
<i>Betula jacquemontii</i> (Jacquemonti birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	35-40	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Green - spring	Showy white bark	
<i>Betula nigra</i> (River birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	50-70	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	Green – spring	Peeling bark	GPP
<i>Betula nigra</i> 'Cully' (White bark river birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Peeling bark	GPP
<i>Betula nigra</i> 'Summer Cascade' (Summer cascade birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Inconspicuous	Year round interest	RG
<i>Betula papyrifera</i> (Paper birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	50-90	Full sun	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Peeling bark	Yes
<i>Betula utilis</i> var. <i>jacquemontii</i> (Himalayan white birch)	Deciduous	Fast	20-25	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Fall color	GPP
<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i> (Incense cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	60-180	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Aromatic	Yes GPP
<i>Carpinus betulus</i> (European hornbeam)	Deciduous	Moderate	40-60	Full sun to shade	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Accent; shade	
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> (American hornbeam)	Deciduous	Slow	20-30-	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring	Accent; fall color	
<i>Cercis canadensis</i> (Eastern redbud)	Deciduous	Moderate	25	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Purple – spring	Showy flowers	
<i>Chamaecyparis nootkatensis</i> 'Pendula' (Weeping Alaska yellow cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	30-35	Full sun	Wet to moist	Cone	Slender and pyramidal	Yes

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<i>Cornus kousa</i> (Kousa dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – summer	Fall color; many cultivars available	
<i>Crataegus douglasii</i> (Black hawthorn)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-30	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Has 1” spines; forms thickets	Yes
<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i> Elegans Group (Plumose Japanese cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	8-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Cone	Use as screen or backdrop	
<i>Fraxinus latifolia</i> (Oregon ash)	Deciduous	Moderate	35-60	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White - Spring	Fall color; susceptible to emerald ash borer	Yes CC
<i>Fraxinus oxycarpa</i> (Raywood ash)	Deciduous	Moderate	25-50	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color – susceptible to emerald ash borer	
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> (Maidenhair tree)	Deciduous	Fast	25-50	Part sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Catkins	Fall color; many cultivars available	
<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i> (Kentucky coffee tree)	Deciduous	Moderate	50-75	Full sun	Moist to dry	White – spring	Accent	
<i>Larix kaempferi</i> ‘Diana’ (Contorted Japanese larch)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Cone	Purple cones; yellow fall color	GPP
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> (Tulip tree)	Deciduous	Fast	30-50	Full sun	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Showy flowers	GPP
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> ‘Aureomarginatum’ (Variegated tulip tree)	Deciduous	Fast	50-79	Full sun	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Showy flower; variegated leaves	GPP
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> ‘Fastigiatum’ (Columnar tulip tree)	Deciduous	Fast	40-50	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Showy flower; columnar growth	GPP
<i>Magnolia</i> ‘Elizabeth’ (Elizabeth magnolia)	Deciduous	Moderate	25-30	Full sun	Moist	Yellow – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	
<i>Magnolia denudata</i> (Lily tree)	Deciduous	Moderate	30-40	Full sun to part shade	Moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> ‘Edith Bogue’ (Southern magnolia)	Evergreen	Moderate	40-60	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – late spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia graniflora</i> ‘Victoria’ (Southern magnolia)	Evergreen	Moderate	15-18	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia x kewensis</i> ‘Wada’s Memory’ (Kew magnolia)	Deciduous	Fast	12-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia kobus</i> (Kobus magnolia)	Deciduous	Slow	15-25	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia loebneri</i> ‘Leonard Messel’ (Pink lobner magnolia)	Deciduous	Slow	15-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Pink – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia macrophylla</i> (Big leaf magnolia)	Deciduous	Slow	20-50	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia sieboldii</i> (Oyama magnolia)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP

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<i>Magnolia stellata</i> 'Waterlily' (Star magnolia)	Deciduous	Moderate	12-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Magnolia virginiana</i> 'Henry Hicks' (Sweetbay magnolia)	Evergreen	Moderate	10-30	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – summer	Fragrant flower	RG
<i>Magnolia virginiana</i> 'Moonglow' (Sweetbay magnolia)	Semi- evergreen	Moderate	15-18	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – late spring	Fragrant flowers	GPP
<i>Magnolia wilsonii</i> (Wilson's magnolia)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-30	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White - spring	Fragrant flowers	GPP
<i>Malus</i> 'Adirondack' (Adirondack flowering crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	9-10	Full sun	Moist to dry	White – spring	Fragrant flowers	GPP
<i>Malus</i> 'Jewelcole' (Red Jewel™ flowering crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-15	Full sun	Moist to dry	White - spring	Fragrant flowers; cherry red fruit throughout the winter	GPP
<i>Malus</i> 'Strawberry Parfait' (Strawberry parfait flowering crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	9-18	Full sun	Moist to dry	Pink – spring	Fragrant flowers; disease resistant	GPP
<i>Malus</i> 'Sutyzam' (Sugar Tyme™ flowering crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	9-18	Full sun	Moist to dry	White – spring	Fragrant flowers	GPP
<i>Malus fusca</i> (Pacific crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-30	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	White to pink – spring	Fragrant flower	Yes
<i>Malus toringo</i> ssp. <i>sargentii</i> 'Tina' (Dwarf sargent's crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Full sun	Moist to dry	White – spring	Fragrant flower; small fruit in summer	GPP
<i>Malus transitoria</i> 'Schmidtcutleaf' (Golden Raindrops™ cutleaf crabapple)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-20	Full sun	Moist to dry	White - spring	Fragrant flower; fall color	GPP
<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i> (Dawn redwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	30-100	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color	GPP
<i>Nothofagus antarctica</i> (Antarctic beech)	Deciduous	Fast	25-40	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Inconspicuous	Accent	GPP
<i>Nyssa sinensis</i> (Chinese tupelo)	Deciduous	Moderate	30-50	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Green – spring	Fall color	GPP
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> (Black gum tree)	Deciduous	Moderate	18-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	Green – spring	Fall color	GPP
<i>Parrotia persica</i> 'Vanessa' (Persian ironwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-40	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Red – winter	Fall color; winter color	GPP
<i>Picea omorika</i> (Serbian spruce)	Evergreen	Moderate	15-30	Full sun	Wet to moist	Cone	Specimen tree	GPP
<i>Pinus contorta</i> var. <i>contorta</i> (Shore pine)	Evergreen	Moderate	70-100	Full sun to some shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Winter interest	Yes GPP
<i>Pinus wallichiana</i> (White pine)	Evergreen	Moderate	30-50	Full sun	Moist to dry	Cone	Winter interest	

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<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i> (London planetree)	Deciduous	Moderate	50	Full sun	Wet to dry	Inconspicuous	Showy bark	
<i>Populus angustifolia</i> (Narrowleaf cottonwood)	Deciduous	Fast	50-70	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color	
<i>Populus fremontii</i> (Fremont cottonwood)	Deciduous	Fast	50-100	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color	
<i>Populus tremuloides</i> (Quaking aspen)	Deciduous	Fast	40-50	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color	Yes
<i>Populus trichocarpa</i> (Black cottonwood)	Deciduous	Fast	150-200	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Attracts birds/butterflies	Yes
<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> (Douglas fir)	Evergreen	Fast	150-200	Full sun	Moist to dry	Cone	Accent	Yes
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> (Flowering pear)	Deciduous	Moderate	40	Full sun	Wet to dry	White – spring	Fall color; cultivars available	
<i>Quercus bicolor</i> (Swamp white oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	60	Full sun	Wet to dry	Catkin	Accent; shade	
<i>Quercus coccinea</i> (Scarlet oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	50-60	Full sun	Moist to dry	Catkin	Fall color	
<i>Quercus garryana</i> (Garry oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	40-80	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Fall color	Yes
<i>Quercus ilex</i> (Holly oak)	Evergreen	Slow	25	Full sun	Moist to dry	Pink – summer	Accent	
<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> (Burr oak)	Deciduous	Slow	70-80	Full sun	Wet to dry	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Quercus palustris</i> 'Pringreen' (Green pillar™ columnar pin oak)	Deciduous	Fast	45-50	Full sun	Wet to dry	Inconspicuous	Accent	GPP
<i>Quercus phellos</i> (Willow oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	60-70	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Quercus robur</i> (English oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	40-60	Full sun	Moist to dry	Catkin	Accent; cultivars available	
<i>Quercus rubra</i> (Northern red oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	60-75	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Catkin	Accent; canopy	
<i>Quercus shumardii</i> (Shumards oak)	Deciduous	Moderate	70	Full sun	Moist to dry	Catkin	Shade; fall color	
<i>Rhamnus purshiana</i> (Cascara sagrada)	Deciduous	Moderate	20-40	Full sun to shade	Moist to dry	Green – spring	Yellow fall color	Yes
<i>Salix amygdaloides</i> (Peachleaf willow)	Deciduous	Fast	60-70	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Inconspicuous	Canopy	
<i>Salix babylonica</i> (Weeping willow)	Semi-evergreen	Fast	30-40	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Yellow – spring	Cascading branches and leaves	
<i>Salix caprea</i> 'Pendula' (Weeping pussy willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Yellow – spring	Showy flowers; good for wet areas	
<i>Salix integra</i> 'Hakuro Nishiki' (Dappled willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Yellow - spring	Fall color; good for wet areas	
<i>Salix lasiandra</i> (Pacific willow)	Deciduous	Fast	35-50	Full sun	Wet to moist	Long Catkins in summer	Fall color; stabilize stream banks	Yes
<i>Salix scouleriana</i> (Scouler willow)	Deciduous	Fast	25-30	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Tolerates dry conditions	Yes
<i>Salix sitchensis</i> (Sitka willow)	Deciduous	Fast	25-30	Full sun	Moist to dry	Long Catkins in summer	Steambank stabilization	Yes

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<i>Sambucus caerulea</i> (Blue elderberry)	Deciduous	Fast	10-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Edible berries	Yes
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> (Bald cypress)	Deciduous	Moderate	50-70	Full sun	Wet to dry	Small cone	Weeping	RG
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> 'Cascade Falls' (Cascade falls bald cypress)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-20	Full sun	Wet to dry	Small cone	weeping	RG
<i>Thuja plicata</i> (Western red cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	50-100	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Small cones	Accent	CC
<i>Thuja plicata</i> 'Can Can' (Can-can western red cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	7-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Small cones	Dwarf	Yes
<i>Thuja plicata</i> 'Zebrina' (Zebrina western red cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	40-50	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Small cone	Creamy yellow variegated foliage	Yes
<i>Tilia cordata</i> (Littleleaf linden)	Deciduous	Fast	30-50	Full sun	Moist to dry	Cream – summer	Accent	Yes
<i>Tilia platyphyllos</i> (Bigleaf linden)	Deciduous	Moderate	60-80	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Cream – summer	Fragrant flower	
<i>Tsuga canadensis</i> 'Pendula' (Weeping hemlock)	Evergreen	Moderate	4-5	Part shade to full shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Small, weeping	
<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i> (Western hemlock)	Evergreen	Moderate	100-200	Full sun to some shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Good specimen tree	Yes
<i>Tsuga mertensiana</i> (Mountain hemlock)	Evergreen	Moderate	40-100	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Cone	Good specimen tree	Yes
<i>Ulmus carpinifolia</i> x <i>U. Parvifolia</i> 'Frontier' (Frontier elm)	Deciduous	Fast	20-40	Full sun	Wet to dry	Rarely	Red fall color; resistant to Dutch elm disease	
<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i> 'Sempervirens' (Chinese evergreen elm)	Deciduous	Moderate	40-50	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Weeping; fall color; resistant to Dutch elm disease	
<i>Ulmus pumila</i> x <i>U. japonica</i> x <i>U.</i> <i>wilsoniana</i> 'Morton Glossy' (Triumph elm)	Deciduous	Fast	30-60	Full sun	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Yellow fall color; shade tree; resistant to Dutch elm disease	
SHRUBS								
<i>Acer circinatum</i> (Vine maple)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Purple - spring	Fall color	Yes
<i>Arbutus unedo</i> 'Compacta' (Dwarf strawberry tree)	Evergreen	Moderate	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	White – fall	Striking reddish orange fruit	
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i> (Bearberry)	Evergreen	Slow	1-2	Full sun	Moist to Dry	White or pink – late spring	Salt tolerant	Yes CC
<i>Betula occidentalis</i> (Water birch)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun to shade	Wet to moist	Yellow – spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	
<i>Caryopteris clandonensis</i> (Blue mist)	Semi- evergreen	Moderate	2-3	Full sun	Moist to dry	Purple/blue – summer	Summer and fall color	

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<i>Cistus x purpureus</i> (Purple rockrose)	Evergreen	Moderate	4-6	Full sun	Moist to dry	Purple – spring	Accent	RG
<i>Clethra alnifolia</i> ‘Ruby Spice’ (Summer sweet)	Deciduous	Slow	4-6	Part sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Pink - summer	Fragrant; fall color	CC
<i>Cornus alba</i> ‘Elegantissima’ (Variegated tatarian dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Variegated leaves; fall color; red stems in winter	GPP
<i>Cornus alba</i> ‘Kesseiringii’ (Black-twig dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Fall color; purple/black stems in winter	GPP
<i>Cornus sericea</i> (Red-osier dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	Yes CC
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Baileyi’ (Red-twig dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – late spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	Yes GPP
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Bergesson’s Compact’ (Compact dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Bud’s Yellow’ (Bud’s yellow dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White - spring	Fall color; yellow stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Cardinal’ (Cardinal dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White - spring	Fall color; bright red stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Cheyenne’ (Cheyenne dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Flaviramea’ (Yellow-twig dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – early summer	Fall color; yellow stems in winter	Yes CC
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Garden Glow’ (Garden glow dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Yellow gold leaves; fall color; pinkish stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Hedgerows Gold’ (Variegated red-twig dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Variegated leaves; fall color; red stems in winter	Yes GPP
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Isanti’ (Isanti dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Compact; fall color; dark reddish purple stems in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Kelseyi’ (Kelseyi dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	1-2½	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	True dwarf; fall color. Prone to leaf spot	Yes RG
<i>Cornus sericea</i> ‘Ruby’ (Ruby red-osier dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Fall color; red stems in winter	Yes

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<i>Cornus sericea</i> 'Silver and Gold' (Silver and Gold dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	7-9	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Creamy white irregular margin on leaf; fall color; yellow stem in winter	Yes
<i>Cornus sericea</i> 'Sunshine' (Sunshine dogwood)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-12	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Variegated leaves; fall color. Red stems in winter	Yes
<i>Corylus cornuta</i> (Hazelnut)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun to shade	Moist	Inconspicuous	Edible nuts	Yes
<i>Cotinus coggygria</i> (Smoketree)	Deciduous	Moderate	12-15	Full sun	Moist	Yellow – summer	Accent; summer flowers	
<i>Diervilla lonicera</i> (Dwarf bush honeysuckle)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring through summer	Fragrant, showy flowers	RG
<i>Diervilla sessilifolia</i> 'Cool Splash' (Cool splash bush honeysuckle)	Deciduous	Moderate	2-3	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow - spring	Variegated foliage, showy, fragrant flower	RG
<i>Fragaria chiloensis</i> (Beach strawberry)	Evergreen	Moderate	1	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Edible berry	Yes RG
<i>Frangula purshinana</i> (Cascara)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-10	Full sun to shade	Wet to dry	White – spring	Narrow	
<i>Gaultheria shallon</i> (Salal)	Evergreen	Moderate	2-10	Shade to part shade	Moist to dry	White or pink - summer	Edible fruit	Yes CC
<i>Hamamelis intermedia</i> 'Diane' (Diane witch hazel)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-20	Full sun to part shade	Wet to Moist	Coppery-red – Winter	Fall color; slightly fragrant flower	
<i>Hebe</i> (Hebe)	Evergreen	Moderate	2-4	Full sun	Moist to dry	Purple – summer	Summer color	
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> 'Sudbury Gem' (Sudbury gem rockrose)	Deciduous	Moderate	1	Full sun	Moist to dry	Pink or yellow – summer	Summer color	RG
<i>Hydrangea</i> 'Preziosa' (Mophead hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Light to open shade	Moist	Purple – summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea aspera villosa</i> (Rough-leaf hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	12	Light to open shade	Moist	Violet – summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea aspera</i> 'Macrophylla' (Big leaf Chinese hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	12	Light to open shade	Moist	White – summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea macrophylla</i> 'Mariesii Lilacina' (Lacecap hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	6	Light to open shade	Moist	Violet – summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea macrophylla</i> 'Mariesii Perfecta' (Blue wave lacecap hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	7	Light to open shade	Moist	Lavender - summer	Summer color	GPP

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<i>Hydrangea macrophylla</i> 'Nikko Blue' (Mophead hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	6	Light to open shade	Moist	Lavender - summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea paniculata</i> 'Limelight' (Panicle hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	10	Full sun to open shade	Moist	Green/white - summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> (Oakleaf hydrangea)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-8	Light to open shade	Moist to dry	White – summer	Summer color; drought tolerant	GPP
<i>Hydrangea serrata</i> 'Beni-gaku' Mountain hydrangea	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Light to open shade	Moist	Pink - summer	Summer color	GPP
<i>Holodiscus discolor</i> (Oceanspray)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-15	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring/summer	Attracts birds/butterflies	Yes
<i>Kerria japonica</i> 'Picta' (Japanese kerria)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-4	Part shade to full shade	Moist	Yellow – spring	Variegated leaves	GPP
<i>Leucothoe axillaris</i> (Coast leucothoe)	Evergreen	Moderate	2-4	Full sun to part shade	Moist	White – early summer	Showy, fragrant flower	RG
<i>Leycesteria Formosa</i> (Himalayan honeysuckle)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-10	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Maroon/white – spring	Chains of flowers	GPP
<i>Lonicera involucrate</i> (Black twinberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Yellow - summer	Showy flowers; attracts birds/butterflies	
<i>Lonicera nitida</i> 'Baggensen's Gold' (Golden boxleaf honeysuckle)	Evergreen	Moderate	4-5	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Inconspicuous	Golden leaves; accent color	GPP
<i>Lonicera pileata</i> (Boxleaf honeysuckle)	Evergreen	Moderate	3	Full sun to shade	Moist to dry	Cream – summer	Fragrant flower	GPP
<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i> (Oregon grape)	Evergreen	Moderate	3	Part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow - spring	Berries are edible	Yes CC
<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i> 'Compacta' (Compact Oregon grape)	Evergreen	Moderate	2-3	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring	Fragrant; berries are edible	Yes
<i>Mahonia nervosa</i> (Longleaf mahonia)	Evergreen	Moderate	3-4	Part shade to shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – late spring	Fragrant; winter color	Yes CC
<i>Mahonia repens</i> (Creeping Oregon grape)	Evergreen	Moderate	1-3	Part sun	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring	Winter color; fragrant	Yes CC
<i>Myrica californica</i> (Pacific wax myrtle)	Evergreen	Moderate	10-30	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – late spring	Berries in fall	Yes CC
<i>Myrica gale</i> (Sweet gale)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-8	Full sun to shade	Wet to dry	Yellow – late spring	Aromatic fruits and leaves	
<i>Nandina domestica</i> var. <i>leucocarpa</i> (White fruited heavenly bamboo)	Evergreen	Fast	6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Showy flowers and fruit; winter interest	GPP

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<i>Nandina domestica</i> 'Gulf Stream' (Compact heavenly bamboo)	Evergreen	Fast	5-6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Year round color	GPP
<i>Nandina domestica</i> 'Moon Bay' (Compact heavenly bamboo)	Evergreen	Fast	3-4	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Fall color	GPP
<i>Oemleria cerasiformis</i> (Indian plum)	Deciduous	Fast	8-10-15	Some sun to some shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Accent	Yes
<i>Paxistima myrsinites</i> (Oregon boxwood)	Evergreen	Moderate	1-3	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Red – early summer	Accent	Yes
<i>Pentaphylloides floribunda</i> (Shrubby cinquefoil)	Deciduous	Moderate	1-4	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow – summer	Summer color	
<i>Philadelphus</i> 'Belle Etoile' (Mock orange)	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Cream – summer	Fragrant	
<i>Philadelphus coronarius</i> 'Aureus' (Golden mock orange)	Deciduous	Moderate	5	Light shade	Moist to dry	White - summer	Fragrant	
<i>Philadelphus x lemoinei</i> 'Belle Etoile' (Belle Etoile mock orange)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – summer	Fragrant	
<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i> 'Blizzard' (Wild mock orange)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-10	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – summer	Fragrant	Yes CC
<i>Physocarpus capitatus</i> (Pacific ninebark)	Deciduous	Fast	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – summer	Accent	Yes CC
<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i> 'Center Glow' (Center glow ninebark)	Deciduous	Fast	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White/pink - summer	Fall/winter color	CC
<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i> (Shrubby cinquefoil)	Deciduous	moderate	1-2	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow - summer	Showy flower; attracts butterflies	RG
<i>Prunus virginiana</i> (Chokecherry)	Deciduous	Moderate	20-30	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Showy, fragrant flower	Yes
<i>Rhamnus purshiana</i> (Cascara)	Deciduous	Moderate	20-25	Sun to shade	Moist	White – spring	Fall color; attract butterflies	Yes
<i>Rhododendron macrophyllum</i> (Pacific rhododendron)	Evergreen	Moderate	6-20	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – summer	Showy flowers	Yes
<i>Rhus trilobata</i> (Skunkbush sumac)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	White – spring	Fall color	
<i>Ribes aureum</i> (Golden currant)	Deciduous	Moderate	5-7	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Yellow - spring	Edible berries	
<i>Ribes lacustre</i> (Blackswamp gooseberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	1-3	Part shade	Wet to moist	Red – spring	Flower clusters; dark purple berries; attracts butterflies	Yes
<i>Ribes sanguineum</i> (Red flowering currant)	Deciduous	Moderate	6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Red – spring	Showy flower clusters; attracts birds/butterflies	Yes CC
<i>Rosa nutkana</i> (Nootka Rose)	Deciduous	Fast	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – summer	Fragrant	Yes

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<i>Rosa pisocarpa</i> (Clustered wild rose)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – summer	Pink clustered flowers	Yes
<i>Rosa rugosa</i> (Japanese rose)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-8	Full sun	Moist to dry	White to purple – summer	Hardy; fragrant flower	
<i>Rosa woodsii</i> (Wood rose)	Deciduous	Fast	3-6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink - summer	Hardy; fragrant flower	
<i>Rubus parviflorus</i> (Thimbleberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-4	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White - spring	Edible fruit	Yes
<i>Rubus spectabilis</i> (Salmonberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	8-10	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Edible fruit	Yes CC
<i>Salix bebbiana</i> (Bebb's willow)	Deciduous	Fast	15-18	Full sun	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix boothii</i> (Booth willow)	Deciduous	Fast	12-25	Part shade to shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix brachycarpa</i> (Barrenground willow)	Deciduous	Fast	5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix drummondiana</i> (Drummond willow)	Deciduous	Fast	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix exigua</i> (Sandbar willow)	Deciduous	Fast	10-15	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix geyeriana</i> (Geyer willow)	Deciduous	Fast	8-12	Full sun	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	Yes
<i>Salix glauca</i> (Grayleaf willow)	Deciduous	Fast	4-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix hookeriana</i> (Hooker willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-20	Full sun	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	Yes
<i>Salix integra</i> 'Hakuro-nishiki' (Dappled willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Variegated foliage; accent	RG
<i>Salix lasiandra</i> (Pacific willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	15-30	Full sun	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	Yes
<i>Salix lasiolepis</i> (Arroyo willow)	Deciduous	Fast	15-30	Full sun	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix lemmonii</i> (Lemon willow)	Deciduous	Fast	10-14	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix lutea</i> (Yellow willow)	Deciduous	Fast	10-25	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkin	Accent	
<i>Salix purpurea</i> 'Nana' (Dwarf blue artic willow)	Deciduous	Fast	5-8	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – spring	Purple stems in winter	
<i>Salix scouleriana</i> (Scouler willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-30	Full sun to shade	Wet to moist	Catkins	Accent	Yes
<i>Salix wolfii</i> (Wolf willow)	Deciduous	Moderate	10-16	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Catkins	Furry leaves and catkins	
<i>Sambucus nigra</i> 'Black Lace' (Black lace elderberry)	Deciduous	Fast	6-8	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	Pink – spring	Blackish foliage; year- round color	
<i>Sambucus racemosa</i> (Red elderberry)	Deciduous	Fast	8-12	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – late spring	Showy flowers; attracts birds/butterflies	Yes
<i>Shepherdia argentea</i> (Silver buffaloberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	6-14	Full sun	Moist to dry	Yellow – spring	Thorny; edible fruit	
<i>Spiraea betulifolia</i> (Birch-leaf spirea)	Deciduous	Moderate	3	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – Spring/summer	Spreading; attracts butterflies/birds; fall color	Yes

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<i>Spiraea betulifolia</i> 'Tor' (Birch-leaf spirea)	Deciduous	Moderate	3	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	White – Spring/summer	Attracts butterflies/birds; fall color	
<i>Spiraea densiflora</i> (Subalpine spirea)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-4	Full sun to part shade	Wet to dry	Pink – summer	Showy pink flower clusters; attracts butterflies/birds	Yes
<i>Spiraea douglasii</i> (Western spirea)	Deciduous	Fast	3-6	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Pink - summer	Attracts butterflies/birds	Yes CC
<i>Spiraea japonica</i> 'Little Princess' (Japanese spirea)	Deciduous	Moderate	3-5	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink – summers	Attracts butterflies/birds	
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> (Snowberry)	Deciduous	Fast	2-6	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	Pink - spring	White berries in winter	Yes CC
<i>Symphoricarpos x chenaultii</i> 'Hancock' (Hancock coralberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	2	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Magenta berries; winter color	
<i>Symphoricarpos x doorenbosii</i> 'Magic Berry' (Coralberry)	Deciduous	Moderate	4-6	Full sun to shade	Moist to dry	White – spring	Magenta berries; winter color	
<i>Thuja plicata</i> 'Whipcord' (Dwarf western red cedar)	Evergreen	Moderate	5	Full sun to part shade	Wet to moist	Inconspicuous	Dwarf red cedar	Yes
<i>Taxodium distichum</i> 'Peve Minaret' (Dwarf bald cypress)	Evergreen	Moderate	5	Full sun	Wet to dry	Inconspicuous	Dwarf	
<i>Vaccinium ovatum</i> (Evergreen huckleberry)	Evergreen	Moderate	2-3	Part shade to shade	Moist to dry	Pink - summer	Edible fruit	Yes CC
<i>Vaccinium parvifolium</i> (Red huckleberry)	Evergreen	Moderate	4-10	Part shade to shade	Moist to dry	Pink – summer	Red edible fruit	Yes
<i>Viburnum opulus</i> 'Nanum' (Dwarf cranberry bush)	Deciduous	Moderate	2-3	Full sun to part shade	Moist to dry	White – late spring	Edible fruit	
<i>Viburnum trilobum</i> 'Compacta' (Cranberry bush)	Deciduous	Moderate	12-15	Full sun to part shade	Moist	White – early summer	Edible fruit	CC

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Tan (GPP) = Elisabeth C. Miller Botanical Garden Great Plant Picks

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