

Town of Chevy Chase
Tree Ordinance Board
List of Acceptable Replacement Canopy Trees
Approved December 7, 2006

The tree species listed below are acceptable for planting as replacement canopy trees to meet the provisions of Section 29-9 (2) of the Town's Urban Forest Ordinance.

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The Urban Forest Ordinance allows the Tree Ordinance Board to approve the granting of a tree removal permit after considering, among other things, "the applicant's intention to plant replacement trees, with consideration of the number, size and desirability of species."

If the Board grants a tree removal permit on the condition that the applicant plant one or more replacement canopy trees, the applicant may choose from the tree species listed below to meet this requirement. These species all grow to be large shade trees more than 60 feet tall and will contribute to the Town's tree canopy as they mature.

All tree species on this list are native to the Town and thrive here naturally. They are relatively disease resistant, based on decades of experience planting and tending Town trees. And they are commonly available from local nurseries or landscape contractors. Each of these species exhibits different attributes, such as how wide they spread, how tall they grow, whether they drop conspicuous fruits, whether they prefer to grow in shade or sun, whether their roots grow close to the surface, etc., so they should be selected with the site in mind. Mini-cultivars, by definition, are not acceptable.

White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>
Swamp White Oak	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>
Willow Oak	<i>Quercus phellos</i>
Scarlet Oak	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>
Northern Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>
Southern Red Oak	<i>Quercus falcata</i>
Shingle Oak	<i>Quercus imbricaria</i>
American Beech	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
White Ash	<i>Fraxinus americana</i>
Sweetgum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>
Blackgum (Tupelo)	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>
Tulip Poplar	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>
American Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i> (cultivars resistant to Dutch elm disease)