

ATLANTA City of Trees

Alternatives to Increase Diversity of Urban Forest



Seven tree species comprise 61% of Atlanta's downtown public area trees. To diversify and fortify the urban forest, consider planting less commonly planted species when space and conditions permit.

SMALL TREES (15-25')

- Red buckeye ✓
- Southern crabapple ✓
- Flowering dogwood ✓
- Fringetree ✓
- American holly ✓
- Sweetbay magnolia ✓
- Pawpaw ✓
- Eastern redbud ✓
- Sassafras ✓
- Downy serviceberry ✓
- Carolina silverbell ✓
- Sourwood ✓
- Crapemyrtle ✗
- Callery pear ✗

MEDIUM TREES (25-40')

- Blackgum ✓
- American hophornbeam (ironwood) ✓
- American hornbeam (musclewood) ✓
- Chinkapin oak ✓
- Georgia oak ✓
- Eastern red cedar ✓
- American yellowwood ✓
- Red maple ✗
- Japanese zelkova ✗
- Chinese elm ✗

LARGE TREES (>40')

- Beech ✓
- American elm ✓
- Mockernut hickory ✓
- Northern red oak ✓
- Oglethorpe oak ✓
- Shumard oak ✓
- Southern red oak ✓
- Sugarberry ✓
- Swamp white oak ✓
- Tulip poplar ✓
- White oak ✓
- Willow oak ✗
- Nuttall oak ✗

