

YELLOW MEDICINE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Tree and Shrub Information

Shrubs

Arrowwood

Grows 8-12 feet. White flowers and a red to purple leaf in the fall. Will take full sun to shade. Grows best in wetter soils.

American Hazelnut

Grows 6-12 feet. Brown flowers in the spring and brown leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Most soil types.

Amur maple

Grows 15-20 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring and red leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Most soil types.

Black Chokeberry

Grows 3-6 feet. White flowers in the spring and red leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. All soil types.

Caragana

Grows 3-5 feet. Yellow flowers in the summer with light green leaves in the fall. Full sun. All soil types.

Chinese Lilac

Grows 10-12 feet. Purple flowers in the spring and green leaves in the fall. Full sun. Loam soils with moderate drainage

Common Chokecherry

Grows 10-20 feet. White flowers in the spring and orange leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Likes drained soils. Fast growing.

Common Purple Lilac

Grows 10-15 feet. Purple flowers in the spring and green leaves in the fall. Full sun. Moderate drained loam soils.

Cranberry bush

Grows 8-12 feet. White flower in the spring and red leaves in the fall. Full sun to shade. Poor to moderately drained soils.

ElderBerry

Grows 6-12 feet. White flower in the summer and yellow-green leaves in the fall. Full sun-shade. All soil types. Fast growing.

Gray Dogwood

Grows 6-12 feet. White flower in the spring and purple leaves in the fall. Full sun to shade. All well drained soil types

June Berry

Grows 4-6 feet. White flower in the spring and orange leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Best in well drained sandy soil.

Nanny Berry

Grows 15-18 feet. White flower in the spring and purple leaves in the fall. Full sun to shade. Best in loam soils.

Redosier Dogwood

Grows 6-12 feet. White flower in the spring and red leaves in the fall. Full sun. All soil types including saturated ones.

Trees

American Plum

Grows 10-30 feet. White flower in the spring and yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. Prefers drained soils.

Autumn Blaze Maple

Grows 50-60 feet. Orange/red leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Can handle some water and be grown in sand to loam soils. Fast growing.

Black Walnut

Grows 70-100 feet. Yellow/green flowers in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. Loam soils. Grows faster in wet fertile soils compared to dry.

Bur Oak

Grows 60-100 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring with brown leaves in the fall. Full sun. All soil types with dry to wet.

Butternut

Grows 50-75 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. Loam soils. Fast growing.

Golden Willow

Grows 40-65 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. Fast growing in lowland with moisture.

Hackberry

Grows 50-75 feet. Green Flowers in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Fast growing can tolerate wet to excessively drained soils.

Hybrid Willow

Grows 50-75 feet. Yellow flower in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. All soil types. Extremely fast growing.

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Trees Continued

Pin Oak

Grows 50-75 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring with red leaves in the fall. Full sun. Sandy loam to Clay. Handle water

Princeton Elm

Grows 75-100 feet. Brown flowers in the spring with yellow flowers in the fall. Full to partial sun. Sandy loam to clay. Resistant to Dutch Elm disease. Fast growing.

Sugar Maple

Grows 50-75 feet. Yellow/green flowers in the spring with orange leaves in the fall. Full sun to shade. Tree thrives in fertile moist and well drained soils.

Swamp White Oak

Grows 35-70 feet. Yellow flowers in the spring with yellow leaves in the fall. Full to partial sun. Tree can handle excess moisture.

Little Leaf Linden

Grows 40-50 feet. Yellow flowers in the summer with yellow leaves in the fall. Full sun. Moderately drained loam soils.

Evergreens

American Arborvitae

Grows 15- 40 feet. Dark green flowers in the spring with dark green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Prefers moist soils.

Techny Arborvitae

Grows 15-25 feet. Brown flowers in the spring with dark green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Sandy loam to clay with moderate drainage.

Austrian Pine

Grows 50-60 feet. Yellow Green flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full sun. Good in all soil types. Best pine for clay soils.

White Pine

Grows 75-100 feet. Purple flower in the summer with green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Loam soils with moderate drainage. Fast growing

Red (Norway) Pine

Grows 75-100 feet. Purple flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Sand to silty clay soils. Fast growing.

Ponderosa Pine

Grows 75-100 feet. Purple flowers in the summer with green foliage in the fall. Full sun. Sand to silty clay soils. Drier upland is preferred.

Scotch Pine

Grows 30-60 feet. Green foliage throughout the year. Full sun. Sand to sandy clay loam in upland.

Black Hills Spruce

Grows 30-50 feet. Brown flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Loamy sand to clay. Better tolerance to heat and drought.

Colorado Spruce

Grows 70-100 feet. Purple flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full to partial sun. Sandy loam to clay. Can handle drier situations.

Meyer Spruce

Grows 30- 40 feet. Blueish green needles year round. Full sun. More disease resistant than other spruce species. Good adaptability to soils as long as its drained.

Norway Spruce

Grows 40-100 feet. Pink flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full sun. Sandy loam to clay. Fast growing.

White Spruce

Grows 50-75 feet. Purple flowers in the spring with green foliage in the fall. Full sun to shade. Loam to clay.