

TOWN OF MIDDLETON PREFERRED PLANTING LIST

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Generally native Wisconsin plants or those cultivated varieties (cultivars) of native Wisconsin plants suitable for USDA hardiness Zone 4 or lower are recommended. The following more specific plants are preferred. Note that the list is subject to change as plant infestation diseases come and go.

GENUS/SPECIES	COMMON NAME
Canopy Trees (At maturity reach a height of approximately 35 feet or more)	
Acer spp.	Red Maple, Sugar Maple, Black Maple (except those listed as understory trees or as listed to avoid — see list)
Aesculus glabra	Ohio Buckeye
Betula nigra	River Birch
Betula papyrifera	Paper Birch
Carya spp.	Shagbark Hickory, Yellowbud or Bitternut Hickory
Celtis spp.	Hackberry
Fagus grandifolia	American Beech (protected sites only)
Ginkgo biloba	Ginkgo or Maidenhair Tree (male varieties only)
Gleditsia triacanthos	Honey Locust (inermis or thornless varieties only)
Gymnocladus dioica	Kentucky Coffeetree
Nyssa sylvatica	Black Gum or Black Tupelo
Picea spp.	Black Spruce, White Spruce
Platanus occidentalis	American Plane-tree/Sycamore (protected sites only)
Populus spp.	Poplar or Aspen (Avoid Cottonwood — see list)
Prunus spp.	Black Cherry, Choke Cherry, Pin Cherry
Quercus spp.	Red Oak, White Oak, Bur Oak, Black Oak, Swamp White Oak
Pinus spp.	Red Pine, White Pine, Jack Pine, Norway Pine
Pseudotsuga menziesii	Douglas Fir
Sorbus spp.	Mountain Ash
Tilia spp.	Basswood, American Linden, Littleleaf Linden,
	Redmond Linden
Ulmus x hybrid	Elm hybrids (Dutch elm disease resistant cultivars, Siberian Elm)
Understory Trees (At maturity are shorter than approximately 30 feet)	
Acer palmatum	Japanese Maple
Acer tataricum	Tatarian Maple
Amelanchier spp.	Serviceberry
Carpinus caroliniana	American Hornbeam/Musclewood
Cercis canadensis	Redbud
Cornus alternifolia	Pagoda Dogwood/Round-leaved Dogwood

GENUS/SPECIES	COMMON NAME
Cornus kousa	Japanese Dogwood
Cornus mas	Cornelian Cherry
Crataegus spp.	Hawthorn Species (inermis or thornless varieties only)
Magnolia spp.	Magnolia (protected sites only)
Malus spp.	Crabapple Species (disease resistant varieties only)
Syringa reticulata	Japanese Tree Lilac
Thuja occidentalis	Arborvitae
Tsuga spp.	Hemlock
Shrubs	
Amelanchier spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Juneberry
Aronia melanocarpa (three to four feet minimum)	Black Chokeberry
Cornus spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Grey Dogwood, Redosier Dogwood, Silky Dogwood
Corylus americana (three to four feet minimum)	American Hazelnut
Cotinus coggygria	Smokebush
Cotoneaster spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Cotoneaster
Euonymus spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Burning Bush
Hamamelis virginiana (three to four feet minimum)	Witchhazel
Hydrangrea spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Hydrangea
Juniperus spp. (18 to 24 inches minimum)	Juniper, Red Cedar for spreading, three feet to four feet)
Philadelphus spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Mockorange
Physocarpus spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Prairie Ninebark
Potentilla spp. (18 to 24 inches minimum)	Cinquefoil
Rhus spp. (three feet to four feet minimum)	Sumac
Rosa spp. (18 to 24 inches minimum)	Rose (but not Multiflora Rose)
Sambucus spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Common Elderberry, Red Elderberry
Spirea spp.	Spirea, Steeplebush
Syringa spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Lilac
Vaccinium corymbosum (three to four feet min)	Highbush Blueberry (zone 4 cultivars only)
Viburnum spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Maple-Leaf Viburnum, Arrowwood, Highbush Cranberry
Weigela spp. (three to four feet minimum)	Weigela
Taxus spp. (18 to 24 inches minimum)	Yew
The following plants will not be accepted:	
Trees	
Acer Platanoides	Norway Maple
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple
Acer negundo	Boxelder
Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-Heaven
Ginkgo biloba	Ginkgo (female varieties)
Morus alba	White Mulberry

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Populus deltoides	Cottonwood (female varieties)
Robinia pseudoacacia	Black Locust
Ulmus pumila	Siberian or Chinese Elm
Understory Trees	
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russian Olive
Elaeagnus umbellata	Autumn Olive
Shrubs	
Berberis spp.	Barberry, especially Japanese Barberry
Lonicera x bella	Bell's Honeysuckle
Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle
Lonicera maackii	Amur Honeysuckle
Lonicera morrowii	Morrow's Honeysuckle
Lonicera tatarica	Tartarian Honeysuckle
Rhamnus spp.	Common Buckthorn, Columnar Buckthorn, Glossy Buckthorn
Rosa multiflora	Multiflora Rose

The preferred planting list is intended to provide guidance as to desired plants for the Town. However, due to the wide selection of individual cultivated varieties available and continually changing varieties available all proposed plants are subject to review by the Town Engineer and plants not on the list may be approved or not allowed on a case-by-case basis.