

LIST OF RECOMMENDED NATIVE TREES AND SHRUBS FOR HIGHLANDS

To protect and preserve the natural environment and beauty of the Town of Highlands, the planting of locally adapted and native material is highly desirable and preferred. Any landscaping or tree preservation plan is encouraged to consider the following list of recommended species:

I. Large or Medium Canopy Trees.

A. Hardwoods

1. Oaks (*Quercus* spp.)
2. Maples (*Acer* spp.)
3. Hickories (*Carya* spp.)
4. Magnolias (*Magnolia* spp.)
5. Linden or Basswood (*Tilia* spp.)
6. Birches (*Betula* spp.)
7. Black Locust (*Robinia pseudoacacia*)
8. White Ash (*Fraxinus americana*)
9. Sourwood (*Oxydendrum arboreum*)
10. Beech (*Fagus grandifolia*)
11. Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
12. Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*)
13. Chestnut (*Castanea dentata*)
14. Chinquapin (*Castanea pumila*)
15. Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)
16. Yellow Poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)

B. Evergreens (Specimen Trees)

1. Hemlocks (*Tsuga* spp.)
2. Pines (Yellow [*Pinus echinata* or *P. taeda*] and White [*Pinus strobus*])
3. Larch (*Larix americana*)
4. Firs (*Abies* spp.)
5. Spruces (*Picea* spp.)

II. Small Flowering Understory Trees.

1. American Mountain Ash (*Sorbus americana*)
2. Flowering Dogwoods (*Cornus florida*)
3. Serviceberry, or Shadbush (*Amelanchier* spp.)
4. Hollies (Mountain and American) (*Ilex* spp.)
5. Silver Bells (*Halesia carolina*)
6. Fringe Tree (*Chionanthus virginicus*)
7. Mountain Sweet Pepper Bush (*Clethra acuminata*)
8. Fruit Trees (Apple [*Malus* spp.]; Pear [*Pyrus* spp.], etc.) **NON-NATIVE
9. Crab Apples (*Malus angustifolia*)
10. Hawthorns (*Crataegus* spp.)

III. Shrubs.

1. Azaleas (*Azalea* spp. or *Rhododendron* spp.)
2. Rhododendrons (*Rhododendron* spp.)
3. Laurels (*Kalmia* spp.)
4. Dogwoods (Bush [??] and Red Osier [*Cornus sericea* or *C. stolonifera*])
5. Viburnums (*Viburnum* spp.)
6. Witch Hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*)