

# 2023 TREE INFORMATION SHEET FOR THE CITY OF FOLEY ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

1. **Nuttall Oak: *Quercus texana***

This species is one of the most well-adapted oaks for general landscape use. It grows quickly, develops a good branching structure, tolerates wet soil as well as moderate drought, and has very few issues with insects and disease.

Provides fall color that changes from yellow to orange to red. Grows 40' to 60' with a 35' to 50' spread at maturity.

2. **Willow Oak: *Quercus phellos***

A handsome oak with willow-like leaves. Foliage is light to bright green in summer and yellow, yellow-brown and russet in fall. Relative fast-growing, it tolerates poorly drained soil. Prefers acid soil and full sun. Grows to 40' to 60' with a 35' to 40' spread at maturity.

3. **Live Oak: *Quercus virginiana***

This magnificent, broadleaf evergreen tree will be a picturesque addition to your landscape. It grows rapidly when young and may live to be centuries old. Adapts to almost any soil. Live oaks may be used as street trees. Grows to 40' to 80' with a 60' to 100' spread at maturity.

4. **Overcup Oak: *Quercus lyrata***

An important tree in difficult urban landscaping situations with uniform branching forming a rounded shape with an open crown. It has brilliant reddish or gray brown bark and displays leathery dark green leaves in summer. Fall color is a rich yellow-brown. Easy to transplant and tolerates most soil conditions and partial shade to full sun. Grows to 45' to 70' with a 45' spread.

5. **Green Giant Arborvitae: *Thuja standishii* x *plicata* 'Green Giant'**

Is a large, vigorous, fast-growing evergreen – shooting up by as much as 3' per year until maturity. Its natural pyramidal to conical form boasts dense, rich green foliage that darkens or bronzes slightly in the winter. This is an exceptional landscape tree for use as a screen, hedge, or single specimen. Once established it is wind resistant and grows to 50' to 60' with a 12' to 20' spread.

6. **Black Dragon Cryptomeria: *Cryptomeria japonica* 'Black Dragon'**

Is a favorite for many reasons. First, its dark evergreen needles and layered branches add stunning color and texture – all while presenting a tranquil demeanor to the landscape. As it grows, new foliage begins bright green, eventually darkening to a unique, greenish-black. It thrives in full sun and can reach a max height of 10' tall and 5' wide, so it's compact. This tree is fairly adaptable to any soil and doesn't require any pruning.

**7. Summer Red Maple:**

**This fast growing maple not only provides quick shade for your yard but also offers lovely color throughout the seasons. The leaves emerge burgundy-red each spring, mature to dark purplish green in the summer, then transition to shades of yellow, orange and purple in the fall. It likes full sun with well drained moist soil. Grows to 35'- 40'with a 20'-25' spread.**

For more information please refer to the Arbor Day Foundation website at <https://www.arborday.org/>