City of Summit Tree Species

The City of Summit plants trees in public areas and along streets to beautify our community, assist the environment and add screening. To learn more about these wonderful additions to our community, see descriptions and images below.

**American Hornbeam**
Height: 20 to 35 feet  
Width: 20 to 35 feet  
Leaves are bluish green and turn yellow, orange and dark red in the fall. Flowers are white if female and yellow-green if male, with nutlets in a leafy cluster.

**Autumn Flowering Cherry**
Height: 20 to 30 feet  
Width: 15 to 25 feet  
Autumn Cherry trees offer up small clusters of flowers twice a year. After an early spring bloom, where deep pink buds open up to pale pink-white flowers in large clusters, these trees bloom again in the fall.

**Blackgum**
Height: 40 to 70 feet  
Width: 30 to 45 feet  
Summer leaves are a dark green with a high-gloss appearance, with fall foliage of many shades of yellow, orange, bright red, purple or scarlet that may appear on the same branch. Fruit is bluish-black and is loved by birds.

**Cloud 9 White Dogwood**
Height: up to 15 feet  
Width: up to 10 feet  
Large, pure white, overlapping petal-like blooms in spring, dark green foliage in the summer, reddish-purple leaves in the fall, and glossy red berries that persist into winter make this dogwood a lovely ornamental tree for all seasons.
**Hackberry**  
Height: 50 to 60 feet  
Width: 50 to 60 feet

Hackberry is a large, desirable tree because it resists common diseases and has better insect resistance than other similar species. Its lustrous green leaves turn yellow in fall. Flowers are inconspicuous.

**Ivory Silk Japanese Tree Lilac**  
Height: 20 to 30 feet  
Width: 15 to 20 feet

This is a sturdy, upright tree with reddish-brown, cherry-like bark that becomes gray with age. The foliage is dark green, and blooms large, creamy-white flower clusters in the late spring. Fruit presents in clusters of capsules, turning from green to brown.

**Japanese Snowbell**  
Height: 20 to 30 feet  
Width: 20 to 30 feet

Japanese Snowbell is a compact, deciduous, flowering tree with horizontal branching and a rounded crown. Fragrant, bell-shaped flowers “drip” from branches with dark green foliage in early summer. Foliage turns yellow to red in the fall.

**Jefferson Elm**  
Height: 50 to 70 feet  
Width: 40 to 50 feet

Commonly called American Elm, this deciduous tree has a vase-shaped, broad-rounded crown. It is native to Eastern and central North America. Small green flowers appear in spring before foliage emerges. Flowers give way to single-seeded wafer-like samaras. Dark green leaves turn yellow in fall.
Kwanzan Cherry
Height: 25 to 35 feet
Width: 20 to 25 feet

Made famous by the Washington D.C. cherry blossom displays, this tree is valued for its beautiful dark pink blossoms and vase-shaped growing habit. Leaves emerge reddish copper in the spring, turn dark green in the summer and orange-brown in fall.

Lilac Bush Clump
Height: 20 to 25 feet
Width: 15 to 20 feet

This lilac has beautiful dark green foliage with white fragrant flowers that bloom early summer.

October Glory Red Maple
Height: 50 to 60 feet
Width: 40 to 50 feet

The October Glory Red Maple was selected in New Jersey for outstanding fall color and uniform growth and was introduced in 1961. Shiny green leaves hold longer in fall, turn to a crimson-red color. Suited to locations where space is ample.

Okame Cherry
Height: 15 to 30 feet
Width: 20 to 30 feet

Polished reddish-brown bark and rosy, pink blooms that flower longer than most cherries, make this a standout. Leaves are golden yellow, turning to orange and red in the fall.

Persian Ironwood
Height: 15 to 40 feet
Width: 10 to 20 feet

Branches bear a canopy of oval-shaped, lustrous leaves which are bronze and burgundy in the spring, mature to dark green in summer and turn crimson, orange and gold in the fall. Small, spidery red flowers are produced on bare stems in the winter.
**Redbud Merlot**
Height: up to 18 feet  
Width: up to 20 feet  

With its lustrous, dark purple leaves ‘Merlot’ offers excellent drought tolerance; its thick, glossy leaves stand up to summer heat. Bright lavender-pink flowers in spring.

**Robin Hill Service Berry**
Height: 25 to 35 feet  
Width: 12 to 15 feet  

The Robin Hill is an upright Serviceberry with dense foliage of bronze-tinged green leaves, which turn yellow to red in fall; attractive, faintly pink flowers in April which fade to white; and small, red to purple fruits which are attractive to birds.

**Ruby Red Horse Chestnut**
Height: 30 to 40 feet  
Width: 30 to 40 feet  

This tree has distinctive, rose-red, cone-shaped flower clusters, which bloom in May among the lustrous, dark green leaves.

**Ruby Slippers Amur Maple**
Height: 15 to 20 feet  
Width: 15 to 20 feet  

The Ruby Slippers Maple is covered in red samaras (helicopter seed pods) that resemble red slippers throughout the summer. The glossy, dark green leaves turn brilliant shades of red, orange and yellow in fall.

**Shadblow Service Berry**
Height: 15 to 25 feet  
Width: 15 to 20 feet  

A native small tree/large shrub that has good year-round interest. Reddish-purple flower buds open to form clusters of white blooms in the spring. These ripen into edible purple fruits in June. Deep green leaves turn shades of yellow and orange in the fall.
Snow Goose Flowering Cherry
Height: 25 to 35 feet
Width: 20 to 25 feet

The Snow Goose Flowering Cherry is a small, flowering tree that blooms in the early spring with a burst of clustered, bright, white flowers from its rose-pink buds. The flowers are pleasantly fragrant.

White/Pink Dogwood
Height: 22 to 25 feet
Width: 22 to 25 feet

The white and pink dogwoods are hybrids between classic American Dogwood and Kousa Dogwood. Hybrids are developed for hardiness, beauty of the bracts and increased resistance to many common dogwood diseases and pests.

Yellowwood
Height: 22 to 25 feet
Width: 22 to 25 feet

The smooth gray trunk of the Yellowwood divides a few feet above the ground into several ascending branches. Compound leaves are bright green in the summer and golden yellow in the fall. Creamy white, pendulous flowers bloom May through June.

Yoshino Cherry
Height: 40 to 50 feet
Width: 25 to 40 feet

This tree is known for its vibrant display of white-pink blossoms and faint almond fragrance in the springtime and glossy bark and dark-green leaves in the summer.