

Free Tree Planting Program

The city's Tree Planting Program provides trees at no cost to property owners within the city limits. The trees are planted in the city's right-of-way in front of the home, and not on private property. The goal is to establish a diverse population of street trees to guard against disease and pests which may damage or kill an entire tree species, and to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the streets and neighborhoods within the city.

Property owners must submit an application to the Division of Public Works (DPW). Applications are available on the city's website at www.mt-pleasant.org, or at DPW, located at City Hall, 320 W. Broadway Street. Completed applications may be returned via mail, dropped off at City Hall, or emailed to publicworks@mtpleasant.org.

Once the tree is planted, please keep the tree watered as directed, especially during the hot summer months or long periods without rainfall.

Residents who wish to plant their own tree in the right-of-way must obtain a permit from DPW. There is no charge for the permit, but there are a few tree species that are prohibited by city ordinance.

Questions?

Please call the Division of Public Works at (989) 779-5401.

Available Species for 2023

*Selections may vary depending on
availability and vendor substitution.*



Patriot Elm

The Patriot Elm is a hybrid species that has excellent resistance to common elm diseases and pests. It features a wide, vase-shaped upsweeping crown and deep green foliage that transform to a lovely yellow in the fall. A fast-growing cultivar, the Patriot Elm can reach a height of 50' tall with a 40' spread at maturity. Due to its height, this tree will not be planted in areas with overhead power lines. Its glossy green leaves turn yellow in the fall.



Harvest Gold® Linden

A Canadian mix of Mongolian and Little Leaf Linden, this hybrid features fragrant yellow flower clusters during the growing season, a favorite of butterflies and other beneficial pollinators. Its small, heart-shaped leaves turn a glowing golden yellow in the fall and the exfoliating bark adds interest. It will reach a maximum height of 30-40' with a 25-30' spread at maturity.

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Autumn Flame® Maple

If red is your favorite fall color, then this maple variety is sure to please. The Autumn Flame® Maple features green leaves tinted with a hint of scarlet in the spring and summer. It produces green and red flowers in the spring, but not the pesky “propeller” seeds like other maples. Its bright red fall color appears approximately two weeks before other maple varieties. Relatively fast-growing, it will reach a height of 50’ with a 40’ spread at maturity. Due to its height, this tree will not be planted in areas with overhead power lines.



Sun Valley Maple

The Sun Valley Maple is a hybrid of the Red Sunset Maple and Autumn Flame® Maple with outstanding orange-red fall color. It features a dense, oval canopy and large five-pointed green leaves. It is disease resistant and cold-hardy. A moderately fast-growing and seedless variety, this maple will reach approximately 40’ tall with a 35’ spread at maturity.



Wichita Osage Orange

First discovered near Wichita, Kansas, the Wichita Osage Orange was used by Native Americans and early pioneers for bow making and as a living fence or windbreak due to its strong wood and dense canopy. This tree will reach 30-40’ tall with a 20-40’ spread at maturity. The male (Wichita) variety is both seedless and thornless, though it is flowering. It grows well in all types of soil conditions and typically is not susceptible to insects and diseases. The thick glossy green leaves turn yellow in the fall.



Northern Pin Oak

The Northern Pin Oak is a fast-growing deciduous tree that will reach 60’ or more with a 25-45’ spread when mature. The interesting bark is typical of most oaks with dark brown to gray ridges and vertical furrows. The deep green leaves turn a brilliant scarlet in the fall. Due to its height, this tree will not be planted in areas with overhead power lines.