



TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

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# TREE SELECTION CATALOGUE 2023



## SWEDISH COLUMNAR ASPEN

### *Populus tremula* 'Erecta'

The Swedish Columnar Aspen is an excellent, very low maintenance choice for our northern climate, the Swedish Aspen grows in an upright, columnar formation. Swedish aspens grow quickly and are great for small yards, and can be planted in rows to create natural privacy screens during the summer months.

**Mature Height: 12m • Spread: 2m**

The Swedish Aspen buds in late spring and the leaves are some of the last to fall in late-autumn. The leaves turn from dark green in the summer to dark red to orange in fall. A popular choice for planting in Southern Alberta for many landscape applications, the Swedish Aspen is a shade-tolerant tree.



## **COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE**

### ***Picea pungens***

Colorado Blue Spruce is rated one of the most popular evergreens, the spruce provides summer and winter interest all year-round.

**Mature Height: 15-20m • Spread: 3-4m**

An evergreen tree, the spruce boasts needles that vary in colour; they may be green or light blue year-round, growing approximately 30 to 60 centimeters per year. Spruce trees prefer full sun, requiring about six hours of direct sunlight per day. This tree is very low-maintenance.





## FLOWERING CRABAPPLES

A flowering crabapple tree may have white, purple, or pink flowers. The flowers (depending on the variety) bloom in early spring, followed by small, insignificant berries which means these trees are low-maintenance.

**Mature Height: 6m • Spread: 3m.**

These hybrid varieties of crabapple trees are often categorized as ornamental, as they can make for a nice accent in your landscape, and do not grow very large.



## HAWTHORN

*Crataegus x mordenensis* 'toba' or 'snowbird'

The hawthorn is known to be one of the hardiest ornamental hawthorns. It's recommended for small home landscape, but requires shelter from the wind.

This tree prefers full-sun for flowering.

**Mature Height: 5m • Spread: 4m**

The hawthorn may have pink or white flowers in the spring, followed by white or pink pomes that bloom from early to late fall. The tree has a low canopy and grows relatively slowly. This tree has spines on it, and should not be planted with junipers to avoid disease.





## GREEN ASH

*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*

The green ash is a beautiful, lush tree with a bright green canopy. This tree grows quickly and can be expected to live for 70 years or more. The green ash is very hardy and prefers a full sun location.

**Mature Height: 18m • Spread: 12m**

This tree does not flower, however it does have very interesting leaves which turn yellow in the fall.



## **BRANDON ELM**

***Ulmus americana* 'Brandon'**

Having an upright form, this tree is an excellent choice for the home landscape. Another extremely hardy variety, the Brandon Elm is a popular choice for Calgary and surrounding areas.

**Mature Height: 12m • Spread: 8m**

The Brandon Elm has dark green foliage with serrated, pointy leaves that turn bright yellow to gold in the fall.

This tree prefers full sun and can tolerate the ever-changing conditions Calgary has to offer.

