Plant Palette

Haig Road, July 2018



Fort McNair Pink Horsechestnut

Height: 40 feet Spread: 40 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Description:

A hybrid small tree with very showy panicles of pink and yellow flowers in spring; ideal for many landscape applications, makes a great accent tree for the smaller home landscape; spiny seeds may necessitate some maintenance

Ornamental Features

Fort McNair Red Horse Chestnut features bold spikes of pink flowers with yellow eyes rising above the foliage in mid spring. It has dark green foliage which emerges light green in spring. The palmate leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruit is not ornamentally significant. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up.

Landscape Attributes

Fort McNair Red Horse Chestnut is a dense deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.



Red Maple

Height: 50 feet Spread: 40 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 3b Other Names: Swamp Maple, Scarlet Maple Description: The tree that lights up New England vellow a

The tree that lights up New England yellow and red in fall; a great shade tree, but very intolerant of alkaline soils; fall color is not consistently red in the species, so the many named cultivars are often chosen

Ornamental Features

Red Maple features showy clusters of red flowers along the branches in early spring before the leaves. It has green foliage which emerges red in spring. The lobed leaves turn an outstanding red in the fall. It produces red samaras in late spring. The furrowed silver bark and brick red branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Red Maple is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.



Autumn Blaze Maple Height: 50 feet Spread: 40 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 3b Description: A popular hybrid of the silver and red m

A popular hybrid of the silver and red maples combining the best attributes of both; stunning fall colors, excellent habit of growth, tolerant of conditions, fast growing; an excellent alternative for locations where a red maple may not grow

Ornamental Features

Autumn Blaze Maple features showy clusters of red flowers along the branches in early spring before the leaves. It has green foliage throughout the season. The lobed leaves turn outstanding shades of orange and in the fall. The fruit is not ornamentally significant. The furrowed gray bark and brick red branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Autumn Blaze Maple is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.



Height: 60 feet Spread: 50 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 3b Other Names: Hard Maple, Rock Maple Description:

A choice and very popular selection of sugar maple with thick dark green foliage and rich gold fall color; a large tree with a formal shape, excellent for most landscapes; adaptable to soils, but dislikes air pollution and compaction

Ornamental Features

Green Mountain Sugar Maple has green foliage throughout the season. The lobed leaves turn outstanding shades of gold, orange and scarlet in the fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

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Sunburst honey locust

Height: 40 feet Spread: 35 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 4a Description:

A very popular shade tree, valued for its delicate, ferny appearance which casts a dappled shade below; foliage emerges a brilliant yellow, fading to light green; broad spreading habit of growth, seedless, very tolerant of adverse growing conditions

Ornamental Features

Sunburst Honeylocust has attractive lime green foliage which emerges gold in spring. The pinnately compound leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding yellow in the fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Sunburst Honeylocust is an open deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.



Gingko Maidenhair tree

Height: 70 feet Spread: 60 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 4a Other Names: Maidenhair Tree Description: A true 150 million year old relic with uniquely

A true 150 million year old relic with uniquely fan-shaped leaves; absolutely beautiful form and habit of growth, golden fall color; female plants produce fruit which smells foul when decomposing, be sure to choose male plants for landscape use

Ornamental Features

Ginkgo has emerald green foliage throughout the season. The fan-shaped leaves turn an outstanding yellow in the fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up.



Ivory Silk Tree

Height: 25 feet Spread: 20 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 3a Description:

A first rate accent tree adorned with frothy upright panicles of creamy white flowers in early summer; interesting steel-gray bark and a dense, upright habit, an ideal choice for small home landscapes; needs full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Ivory Silk Japanese Tree Lilac features showy plumes of fragrant creamy white flowers rising above the foliage from late spring to early summer. It has dark green foliage throughout the season. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour. The fruit is not ornamentally significant. The smooth dark red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.



White lilac



Krasavitska pale pink lilac



Ludwig Spaeth dark purple lilac



Primrose creamy yellow lilac



President Grevy blue-purple Lilac



Pocahontas red-purple lilac

Mixed Colours, Flowering Lilacs

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Common Lilac

Description:

An old-fashioned homestead favorite, perfuming the air with fragrance in early spring from upright panicles of lilac-pink flowers; upright, bushy habit, quite leggy, suckers profusely, makes a great tall and dense hedge

Ornamental Features

Common Lilac features showy panicles of fragrant lilac purple flowers rising above the foliage in mid spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has bluish-green foliage throughout the season. The heart-shaped leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes

Common Lilac is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.



American larch

Height: 50 feet Spread: 20 feet Sunlight: O O Hardiness Zone: 1a Other Names: American Larch Description:

A tall spire-like coniferous tree with **deciduous needles** starting bright green in spring and turning brilliant gold in fall; prefers extremely moist locations and sandy soils.

Ornamental Features

Tamarack has bluish-green foliage which emerges light green in spring. The needle-like leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. The rough gray bark and gold branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.



White spruce

Height: 60 feet Spread: 20 feet Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: 2a Description:

The hardiest of the landscape spruces, tall and stately with bluish-green needles; very tough and adaptable to all kinds of soils except those that are permanently wet, makes a stunning vertical accent in the larger home landscape or a fine windbreak

Ornamental Features

White Spruce has bluish-green foliage which emerges light green in spring. The needles remain bluishgreen throughout the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. The smooth gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

White Spruce is a dense evergreen tree with a strong central leader and a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.



White cedar hedge

Height: 30 feet
Spread: 20 feet
Sunlight: ○ ●
Hardiness Zone: 2b
Other Names: Eastern White Cedar
Description:

An extremely hardy and rugged northern evergreen; the species is typically a tall, pyramidal tree with reddish peeling bark, very attractive, however foliage tends to yellow in winter; numerous and diverse cultivars are available

Ornamental Features

Arborvitae has green foliage. The scale-like leaves remain green throughout the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. The shaggy indian red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Arborvitae is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening