

Small-stature Trees for Iowa

This document lists several small-stature tree selections suitable for the Iowa landscape. Nursery and landscape professionals have eliminated green, white, black, pumpkin, and blue ash from their inventories and designs since they are susceptible to the emerald ash borer, which kills ash trees. This destructive pest has been found in several states in the upper Midwest.

While not all-inclusive, this list does describe many useful species, many which are also pest-resistant. Not all trees appearing on this list will “work” in every landscape situation. Great care must be taken to carefully match trees to sites (including above- and below-ground spatial and environmental constraints) and to complement species existing nearby so that a diverse tree canopy will be maintained. *A healthy and diverse tree population is the best defense against current and future tree pests.*

<u>Deciduous Small-stature Trees</u>	<u>Height/Width</u>	<u>Growth Habit</u>
Amur maackia – <i>Maackia amurensis</i>	20'/20'	Upright-spreading
Cherries		
<u>Sargent cherry</u> – <i>Prunus sargentii</i>		
'JFS-KW58' (Pink Flair [®])	25'/15'	Upright
'Hokkaido Normandale' (Spring Wonder [™])	25'/20'	Upright-spreading
Crabapples – <i>Malus</i> species		
'Adirondack'	18'/12'	Vase-shaped
'Beeson' (May's Delight [®])	8'/8'	Upright-spreading
'Hub Tures' (Spring Sensation [™])	10'/12'	Wide-spreading
'JFS-KW5' (Royal Raindrops [®])	20'/15'	Upright-spreading
'Malusquest' (Pink Sparkles [®])	15'/12'	Upright
'Orange Crush'	15'/15'	Round-spreading
Dogwoods		
Corneliancherry dogwood – <i>Cornus mas</i>	20'/20'	Round-spreading
<u>Gray dogwood</u> – <i>Cornus racemosa</i>		
'Jade' (Snow Mantle [™])	15'/8'	Upright-spreading
Pagoda dogwood – <i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	20'/20'	Spreading

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Hophornbeams		
American hophornbeam – <i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	25'/20'	Upright-spreading
Hornbeams		
<u>American hornbeam</u> – <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>		
'J.N. Strain'	25'/25'	Spreading
'J.N. Upright' (Firespire™)	20'/10'	Upright
Lilacs		
<u>Japanese tree lilac</u> – <i>Syringa reticulata</i>		
'Bailnce' (Snowdance™)	18'/20'	Round-spreading
'Ivory Silk'	25'/15'	Upright
<u>Pekin lilac</u> – <i>Syringa reticulata</i> subsp. <i>pekinensis</i>		
'Morton' (China Snow®)	20'/20'	Upright-spreading
'SunDak' (Copper Curls®)	20'/15'	Upright-spreading
Magnolias		
<u>Loebner magnolia</u> – <i>Magnolia × loebneri</i>		
'Merrill'	25'/25'	Upright-spreading
'Ruth' (Spring Welcome®)	20'/20'	Round-spreading
Maples		
<u>Tatarian maple</u> – <i>Acer tataricum</i>		
'GarAnn' (Hot Wings®)	20'/25'	Round-spreading
Three-flower maple – <i>Acer triflorum</i>	25'/25'	Upright-spreading
Pears		
<u>Callery pear</u> – <i>Pyrus calleryana</i>		
'Glen's Form' (Chanticleer®)	40'/15'	Narrow-pyramid
<u>Ussurian pear</u> – <i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i>		
'MorDak' (Prairie Gem®)	25'/20'	Oval
'Bailfrost' (Mountain Frost®)	20'/15'	Upright-oval
Redbud		
<u>American redbud</u> – <i>Cercis canadensis</i>		
'Pink Trim' (Northern Herald™)	25'/25'	Spreading

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Serviceberries		
<u>Allegheny serviceberry</u> – <i>Amelanchier laevis</i>		
'Cumulus'	20'/15'	Upright-spreading
'JFS-Arb' (Spring Flurry [®])	28'/20'	Upright-oval
<u>Apple serviceberry</u> – <i>Amelanchier</i> × <i>grandiflora</i>		
'Autumn Brilliance'	20'/15'	Upright-spreading
'Strata'	20'/20'	Horizontal

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