

Madison County Soil & Water Conservation District

2017 Tree Descriptions

GIVE-AWAY BUNDLE:

2 –SAWTOOTH OAK - (*Quercus Acutissima*) one of the fastest growing trees in its youth, the Sawtooth Oak is an attractive shade tree with dark lustrous summer foliage and clear yellow to golden brown fall leaves. Adaptable to any soil conditions except alkaline. One inch acorns are quite popular with wildlife. Grows 40' to 60' with a 40' – 60' spread.

2 SHUMARD OAK - (*Quercus Shumardii*) One of the largest species in the southern red oak group. It's a fast growing tree and an excellent shade tree because of the broad, rounded canopy. A lovely dark green during most of the year but in fall puts on a vivid display of red to red-orange foliage. Produces acorns for wildlife.

Is a large tree that often grows of 80' to 125'.

2 – GREEN ASH – (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*) This hardy shade tree has been a popular choice due to its fast growth, nice shade, and ability to adapt to a range of soil conditions. Full sun is the ideal condition for this tree, meaning it should get at least six hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day. The green ash grows well in acidic, alkaline, loamy, moist, sandy, well-drained, wet and clay soils. It prefers wet soil conditions but has slight drought tolerance. The green ash grows to a height of 50–60' and a spread of about 25' at maturity.

\$5.00 FLOWERING TREE BUNDLE:

2 – FLOWERING DOGWOOD – (*Cornus florida*) Tall smooth green colored stem. Makes an excellent landscape choice for all seasons. Flowers are large and showy in spring and leaves are green, then red-purple in the fall. Red fruits attract songbirds. Prefers partial shade and moist, acid and well-drained soil. Can tolerate full sun if planted in deep, fertile soil that retains moisture. Grows 8 – 20'.

2- FRINGE TREE - (*Chionanthus virginicus*) Spectacular flowering plant earning its name from narrow, fringelike white petals on flowers grouped in lacy clusters. Broad leaves turn bright to deep yellow in the fall. Plant in full sun in moist, well-drained soil. Grows 15-20'.

2 – REDBUD – (*Cercis canadensis*) Small tree with clusters of small, lavender-pink blossoms in early spring. Attractive, heart-shaped leaves have beautiful yellow fall colors with the first frosts. The largest and fastest growing tree of the redbuds. Plant in full sun or light shade with regular water. Grows 25-35'.

For more information, contact the District office at 601-859-4272 ext. 3