





# Ornamental Trees

## Trees for small gardens

Many of us consider a garden to be incomplete without at least one decorative tree. However, few of us have the luxury of acres of space to house a mature Oak or stately Beech. Within this leaflet we aim to describe a list of 'petite' species, well suited to life in a pint-sized modern garden or courtyard (or indeed close to a house).

Trees provide a sense of maturity to a garden, creating a focal point around which even the smallest area can be planned. They also have the great ability to link with the surroundings, bringing distant foliage closer.

## A small tree?

The meaning of "small tree" is often unclear. A plant we consider to be of compact, tree-like shape may in fact be a large shrub. Correctly speaking, a tree has only a single stem, while a shrub may have many.

## Planting a Container Grown Tree:

1. Water the tree first.



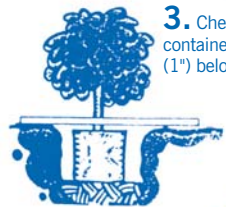
2. Dig a hole 4-times the container size. Mix in Multi-Purpose Compost and a little fertiliser in the bottom of the hole.



4. Remove the tree from its container and place into the hole without damaging the roots.



3. Check the depth - the container should be about 2.5cm (1") below soil level.



5. Fill in the remaining space with 2 parts soil mixed with 1 part Multi Purpose Compost.



Remember to water regularly for the trees first two years in the ground - paying special attention during hot, dry periods.

For most small gardens, trees that will not exceed approximately 6m (20ft) in height are most suitable and have been included here. Though at first glance this may appear to be more than a tiny garden can comfortably accommodate, consider that the tree may be slow growing, only 15-30cm (8-12") per year, taking considerable time to reach its ultimate height. Many species take pruning extremely well. *Crataegus*, *Robinia* and *Cotoneaster* can be improved with regular trimming.

## Seasonal interest

Any plant that changes with the seasons is invaluable in a small garden. Spring flowers, coloured foliage, autumn fruits and a framework of branches and bark make many varieties essential.

Latin Name:	Features:	Height & Spread:
<i>Acer capillipes</i>	Bark, branches & autumn tints	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Acer davidii</i>	Striped bark	6 x 3m
<i>Acer griseum</i>	Bark & autumn tints	5 x 2.4m
<i>Acer negundo 'Flamingo'</i>	Viegated foliage	6 x 4.5m
<i>Acer palmatum</i>	Excellent autumn tints	4.5 x 3m
<i>Acer palmatum atropurpureum</i>	Purple foliage & autumn tints	3.6 x 2.4m
<i>Acer platanoides 'Drummondii'</i>	Viegated foliage	6 x 4.5m
<i>Acer pseudo. 'Brilliantissimum'</i>	Pink young leaves	3.6 x 2.4m
<i>Acer pseudo. 'Simon-Louis Freres'</i>	Viegated foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Alnus glutinosa 'Imperialis'</i>	Finely cut foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Alnus incana 'Aurea'</i>	Stems, catkins & foliage	5 x 3m
<i>Alnus incana 'Pendula'</i>	Weeping branches & foliage	4.5 x 2.4m
<i>Amelanchier lamarckii</i>	Flowers, berries & foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Flowers, fruit & evergreen fol.	3.6 x 3.6m
<i>Betula ermanii</i>	White-pink bark	6 x 3m
<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	Peeling bark, autumn tints	6 x 3m
<i>Betula pendula</i>	White bark	6 x 3m
<i>Betula pendula 'Dalecarlica'</i>	Finely cut leaves, branches	6 x 2.4m
<i>Betula pendula 'Purpurea'</i>	Purple foliage, slow growing	4.5 x 3m
<i>Betula pendula 'Youngii'</i>	White stem, weeping branches	4.5 x 4.5m
<i>Betula utilis</i>	Orange-brown peeling bark	6 x 2.4m
<i>Betula utilis jacquemontii</i>	White peeling bark	7.6 x 3.6m
<i>Caragana arborescens 'Pendula'</i>	Yellow flowers, weeping branches	3 x 1.5m
<i>Catalpa bignonioides 'Aurea'</i>	Huge yellow leaves	3.6 x 2.3m
<i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	Autumn tints	4.5 x 2.4m
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>	Purple flowers & red seed pods	4.5 x 3m
<i>Cornus controversa 'Variegata'</i>	Viegated fol. & tiered branches	4.5 x 4.5m
<i>Cornus kousa</i>	Flowers, fruits & autumn tints	4.5 x 3m
<i>Cornus mas</i>	Yellow flowers & edible fruits	5.5 x 3.6m
<i>Cotoneaster</i> - many available	Flowers, berries & foliage	-
<i>Crataegus laevigata 'Paul's Scarlet'</i>	Double pink flowers	6 x 4.5m
<i>Crataegus laevigata 'Plena'</i>	Double white flowers	6 x 4.5m
<i>Crataegus laev. 'Rosea Flore Pleno'</i>	Double pink flowers	6 x 4.5m
<i>Crataegus prunifolia</i>	Flowers, fruits & autumn tints	6 x 4.5m
<i>Cytisus battandieri</i>	Yellow scented flowers	3.6 x 2.3m
<i>Fagus sylvatica 'Asplenifolia'</i>	Finely cut foliage, slow growing	4.5 x 3m
<i>Fagus sylvatica 'Dawyc'</i>	Columnar & autumn tints	4.5 x 1.5m
<i>Fagus sylvatica 'Dawyc Purple'</i>	Purple foliage, slow growing	3 x 1.2m
<i>Fagus sylvatica 'Purpurea Pendula'</i>	Weeping branches, purple foliage	2.4 x 1.5m

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<i>Genista aethnensis</i>	Yellow flowers	4.5 x 3m
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos 'Ruby Lace'</i>	Reddish feathery foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos 'Sunburst'</i>	Yellow feathery foliage	6 x 4.5m
<i>Ilex</i> - many available	Foliage & berries	-
<i>Laburnum alpinum 'Pendulum'</i>	Fragrant yellow flowers	4.5 x 3.6m
<i>Laburnum x watereri 'Vossii'</i>	Yellow flowers	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	White flowers, evergreen foliage	6 x 6m
<i>Ligustrum luc. 'Excelsum Superbum'</i>	Viegated foliage, flowers	4.5 x 3m
<i>Magnolia</i> - many available	Flowers, berries & autumn foliage	-
<i>Malus 'Everest'</i>	Flowers & fruit	3 x 3m
<i>Malus floribunda</i>	Flowers & fruit	4.5 x 3m
<i>Malus 'Golden Hornet'</i>	Flowers & fruit	4.5 x 3m
<i>Malus 'John Downie'</i>	Flowers & fruit	7.6 x 3m
<i>Malus 'Profusion'</i>	Flowers, fruit & foliage	6 x 4.5m
<i>Malus 'Red Jade'</i>	Flowers & fruit	3 x 2.4m
<i>Malus x robusta</i>	Flowers & fruit	6 x 4.5m
<i>Malus 'Royalty'</i>	Flowers, fruit & foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Malus tschonoskii</i>	Flowers, fruit & autumn foliage	7.6 x 3m
<i>Morus nigra</i>	Edible fruit	4.5 x 3m
<i>Parrotia persica</i>	Autumn tints & winter flowers	4.5 x 3m
<i>Prunus 'Accolade'</i>	Semi-double flowers	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus 'Amanogawa'</i>	Fragrant flowers	4.5 x 0.9m
<i>Prunus x blireana</i>	Spring foliage & flowers	3.6 x 3m
<i>Prunus cerasifera 'Nigra'</i>	Flowers, stems & leaves	6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus cerasifera 'Pissardii'</i>	White flowers, purple foliage	6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus 'Cheal's Weeping'</i>	Double flowers	3 x 2.4m
<i>Prunus x hillieri 'Spire'</i>	Pink flowers, autumn tints	6 x 3m
<i>Prunus 'Okame'</i>	Rose flowers, autumn tints	4.5 x 3m
<i>Prunus 'Pandora'</i>	Flowers, foliage & autumn tints	7.6 x 3m
<i>Prunus 'Pink Perfection'</i>	Double flowers, bronze foliage	4.5 x 3m
<i>Prunus sargentii</i>	Flowers, foliage & autumn tints	6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus serrula</i>	Shiny copper bark	6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus 'Shimidsu-zakura'</i>	White flowers	4.5 x 3.6m
<i>Prunus 'Shirofugen'</i>	Large flowers & autumn tints	6 x 6m
<i>Prunus 'Shirotae'</i>	Large, semi-double flowers	6 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus subhirtella 'Autumnalis'</i>	Flowers from Nov to March	6 x 6m
<i>Prunus sub. 'Autumnalis Rosea'</i>	As above + pink flowers	6 x 6m
<i>Prunus sub. 'Pendula Rubra'</i>	Rose flowers, weeping branches	3 x 4.5m
<i>Prunus 'Ukon'</i>	Greenish flowers, autumn tints	6 x 6m
<i>Prunus x yed. 'Shidare-yoshino'</i>	Pale pink flowers	3 x 3m
<i>Pyrus alba 'Pendula'</i>	Weeping branches, edible fruit	2 x 3m
<i>Pyrus salicifolia 'Pendula'</i>	Weeping tree & silver foliage	4.5 x 2.4m
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'</i>	Bright yellow foliage	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Salix caprea 'Pendula'</i>	Catkins & weeping branches	3 x 1.8m
<i>Salix purpurea 'Pendula'</i>	Stems, catkins & foliage	3 x 2.1m
<i>Sorbus aria 'Lutescens'</i>	Grey leaves & red fruits	6 x 4.5m
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	White flowers & red berries	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Sorbus cashmiriana</i>	Pink flowers & white fruits	4.5 x 2.4m
<i>Sorbus hupehensis</i>	Blue-green leaves, pinkish fruits	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Sorbus 'Joseph Rock'</i>	Yellow berries & ex. autumn tints	7.6 x 4.5m
<i>Sorbus sargentiana</i>	Red fruits & ex. Autumn colours	6 x 4.5m
<i>Sorbus vilmorinii</i>	Rose-white fruit, autumn tints	4.5 x 3m
<i>Styrax japonica</i>	Lots of white flowers	4.5 x 4.5m
<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	Scented summer flowers	-

Plus clipped and topiary standards: *Hedera*, *Laurus*, *Viburnum tinus* and *Wisteria*.

The height and spread given for each variety is approximate for a healthy specimen at around 20 years of age.

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