# Tree Donation Guidelines

The Great Barrington Tree Committee and Town Arborist reserve the right to determine the tree species, location and size of each planting. Every effort will be made to accommodate the donor's wishes. However, the tree must be appropriate for the existing and planned landscape.

Trees will be purchased by the Town Arborist. The Town will be responsible for mulching, feeding and watering for the first year of the tree's life.

The time of planting will be determined by the staff according to the best season to ensure the survival of the tree. The donor will be notified of the date and time of the planting.

In our effort to keep our parks aesthetically pleasing and easy to maintain, stone monuments or plaques are not allowed next to the donated tree. A matrix of donated trees listing recipients is maintained on the Town's website:

townofqb.org/tree-committee

## Tree Donation Locations

Trees can be planted on Town properties and rights of way including:

### **Parks**

Many public parks have space for trees of various sizes.

For list: https://www.townofgb.org/ parks-and-recreation

## Cemeteries

Most Town-owned cemeteries in both Great Barrington and Housatonic have room for large shade trees.

## Municipal

Town-owned buildings and properties, rights of way along roads, easements and refuges are all potential sites.

For more information, please contact:
Town Arborist
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# Great Barrington Memorial Tree Program



Created By The Great Barrington
Tree Committee

# Commemorative Tree Program

Planting a tree to commemorate a special event or group, in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one or as a gift is a lasting tribute and a contribution to our urban forest.

Each tree will be identified on the Town of Great Barrington's webpage: townofgb.org/tree-committee with a photograph and the name of the individual or group in whose honor the tree has been planted.

## Tree Donation Costs

Purchase price: Market Value plus planting and care

Approximate totals:

Large Trees \$375-\$2500

Small Trees \$225-\$450

Your contribution is tax deductible





# Approved Tree Species

Red Maple - fast growing ornamental, 75-80 ft. Great color
N. Red Oak - good color, 60-75 ft.
Sweet Gum - star shaped leaves with great color, native
Sycamore - grand tree for large site, peeling bark, attracts birds
Tupelo - native, horizontal branches, scarlet fall leaves, 30-50 ft.
Sugar Maple - majestic, not salt tolerant

**Small**: Road salt tolerant

<u>Flowering Cherry</u> - pollinator, spring bloom

Flowering Crabapple - native, pollinator Kousa Dogwood - four-season interest Eastern Redbud - showy, 20-30 ft.

American Hornbeam - three-season color, good in shady areas

Sassafras - vivid fall color, mittenshaped leaves, native

Also see tree list at townofgb.org/

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