Medium Trees

'Gerling' Red Maple

If you are a fan of bright, red leaves in the fall, this tree is for you. The Gerling Red Maple is slow growing, but it will reach 30-35' with a 25-35' spread at maturity. Does well in part shade to full sun and well-drained soil.

Newport Flowering Plum

This beauty is filled with very pale pink to white flowers in the early spring, followed by purple-bronze colored leaves and purple fruit. It also has a medium growth rate, reaching 25-30 feet tall and 20-25 feet wide at maturity. This tree requires full sun and weekly watering (water more often during a hot spell).

LARGE TREES

These trees will not be planted in areas with overhead utility lines.

Crimson Spire™ Oak

Best for limited spaces, such as narrow rights-of-way, this oak variety boasts fabulous red color in the fall. The Crimson Spire™ Oak grows moderately fast and will reach 35-45' tall and 12-15' wide at maturity. Needs full sun and moderate water. **It will not survive if overly watered.**

Purple Robe Locust

The Purple Robe Locust features pink to purple colored flower clusters in May to early June. Upright growing, it will reach 30-40' tall and 25-30' wide when fully grown. Young metallic red leaves turn to blue-green when mature. Prefers full sun and well-drained soil.

Red Horse Chestnut

The Red Horse Chestnut tree features an oval to rounded canopy full of large, dark green leaves. Pink to red flowers appear in the spring. A slow growing tree, the Red Horse Chestnut will reach 30-40' tall with a 30-45' spread, and is quite resistant to pests. Requires full sun and well-drained soil.

City of Mt. Pleasant

2017 FREE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

Free Tree Program

The City's Free Tree Planting Program allows for residents to apply for a free tree to be planted in the right-of-way in front of their home. The right-of-way in generally the grassy area between the curb and the sidewalk. Through this program, the City's Street Department plants approximately 150 trees each year city-wide. The goal of this program is to establish a diverse population of street trees to guard against disease and pests that may damage or kill an entire species of trees, and to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the streets and neighborhoods within the city.

Applications for this program are available at the Public Works office, located at 1303 N. Franklin Street, or online at www.mt-pleasant.org. Please complete the form and return it to the Public Works office. Once the tree is planted, we ask that you keep the tree watered on a weekly basis, especially during the hot summer months.

Residents may wish to plant their own tree in the right-of-way. Before doing so, you must obtain a permit from Public Works. There is no charge for the permit, but there are a few tree species that are prohibited by City Ordinance.

Questions? Please call the Public Works office at (989) 779-5401.

AVAILABLE SPECIES for 2017

(Selections may vary annually depending on availability)

SMALL TREES

If you have overhead utility lines, only small trees will be planted.

'Golden Glory' Cornelian Cherry Dogwood

This glorious dogwood variety welcomes spring with delicate yellow flowers and glossy green leaves that turn purple in the fall. The Golden Glory will reach a height of 15-20 feet when fully grown. Mature trees shed bark in the fall. Prefers well-drained soil and full/partial sun.

Royal White Redbud

This medium-sized, showy tree features white flowers that bloom in the early spring and is a favorite of butterflies. The Royal White Redbud will reach 15-25' tall with an equal spread when fully grown. Prefers well drained (not wet) soil and full sun to partial shade.

Summer Splendor Tatarian Maple

This maple may be short on stature, but it will not disappoint on color! If you are looking for a traditional shade tree, try this maple variety. The Summer Splendor™ features glossy green leaves that turn ruby red in the fall. It prefers well-drained soil and full sun to partial shade, and will reach a maximum of 20' tall with a 15-20' spread. **It will not survive if over-watered.**