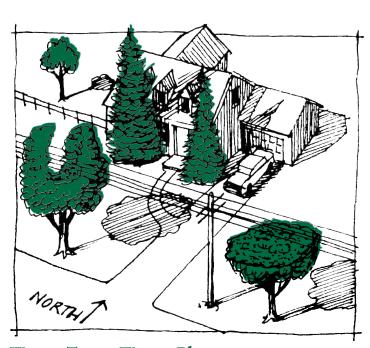
The Right Tree for the Right Place

Trees provide many benefits – shade, beauty, windbreak, privacy, cleaner air, less noise, less glare, and higher property values, to name a few. But the key to these benefits is to select the right tree and plant it in the right place. This not only assures a lifetime of satisfaction, but it also keeps maintenance costs low. Select tree species that will fill a particular role or function in your landscape. Then, plant them in the right places that will enable them to fill those functions.





Wrong Trees, Wrong Places

Planting large trees under utility lines can eventually mean mutilated trees as they grow to maturity. Large evergreens close to the house on the south block warming winter sunlight. No trees on the north side of the house can leave it vulnerable to icy winter winds.

Better Choices

Short flowering trees don't clash with overhead utility lines. Large deciduous trees on the southeast, southwest, and west provide cooling shade in summer but don't obstruct the low winter sun. An evergreen windbreak on the north blocks cold winds in winter.

Factors to Consider Average 3. Crown Form or Shape varies among **Mature Height** species, including round, oval, columnar, (Feet) V-shaped, or pyramidal shapes. Consider 1. **The Tree's Purpose** will impact the how the shape of the tree works in the 100 suitability of different tree species, whether space available. used for shade, aesthetic beauty, wind protection, screening, or other purposes. 80 Size and Location of the tree, including available space for roots and branches, 60 affects the decision on which species to plant. (See chart) 40 20 Shrubs Sassafras Pin Oak White Oak Dogwood Ponderosa Pine Hawthorn Post Oak Arborvitae Linden Redwood Sumac **Quaking Aspen** Hemlock Red Oak Planetree Hornbeam Eastern Redcedar Blue Spruce Tuliptree Redbud Flowering Pear Walnut Published by Flowering Plum Many Pines



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