



This is a list of tree species that are recommended for homeowners in the Town of Clinton:

Tall Shade Trees (mature to heights of 45 to 80+ feet)

(plant in locations with no overhead wires and away from structures)

White Oak (*Quercus alba*)
Northern Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*)
Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)
Tulip (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)
Shagbark Hickory (*Carya ovata*)
Black Gum (*Nyssa sylvatica*)
Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*)
Persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*)
Lindens: American linden/Basswood (*Tilia americana*)
Red maple (*Acer rubrum*)
Sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*)

Medium Flowering or Ornamental Trees (25 to 40 feet tall)

American Hophornbeam, Ironwood (*Ostrya virginiana*)

Small Flowering or Ornamental Trees (10 to 30 feet tall)

American hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*)
Carolina Silverbell (*Halesia carolina*)
Serviceberry (*Amelanchier*)
Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
Hawthorn (*Crataegus*)
Flowering dogwood (*Cornus florida*)

Trees to Avoid

Ash – all untreated trees are being killed by the emerald ash borer.
Bradford & Callery pear (*Pyrus* species) – invasive/hazardous; brittle wood causes tree to fall apart.
Fringetree – vulnerable to emerald ash borer.
Norway maple – a non-native which has become extremely invasive in the northeast USA.
Zelkova – a non-native which has been over-planted in NJ and has become invasive.

If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Shade Tree Commission. Thanks.