

Species Information for

Friday Species List

RESOURCES

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Trees For Houston's goal is to plant, promote, and protect Houston! Some ways we do so is through tree giveaways, plantings, and events! If you have any questions, comments, or would like to get involved, please direct them to Bailey@treesforhouston.org

BALD CYPRESS

Taxodium distichum

<u>Height</u>: ~50-75 ft

Shade: Partial shade preferred

Conditions: Will grow in standing water and

well drained soils. Can survive in wet,

swampy areas

<u>Comments</u>: Deciduous and coniferous tree with roots sometimes growing vertically

<u>Fun Fact</u>: This tree is the first to lose its leaves in spring leaving them BALD compared to other trees.





BLACK CHERRY

Prunus serotina

Height: ~50-80 ft

Conditions: Full sun and moist soil preferred

<u>Comments</u>: This fast growing tree has vivid yellow fall colors, beautiful spring flowers, and delicious summer fruit.

<u>Fun Fact</u>: The fruit is edible, jelly and wines are often made from them.





BUR OAK

Quercus macrocarpa

Height: 50-80 ft

Shade: Full sun preferred

Comments: Slow growing and long

living shade tree. Produces acorn that

wildlife love.



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RED MAPLE

Acer rubrum

Height: ~40-60 ft

Conditions: Full to partial sun preferred

<u>Comments</u>: Fast growing tree that prefers moist soils. It has brilliant fall colors which is how it got its name.

<u>Fun Fact:</u> The sap produced from this tree can be used as syrup!





Turk's Cap

Malvaviscus arboreus var. drummondii

<u>Height</u>: ~2-5 ft

Conditions: Full sun to full shade

<u>Comments</u>: Small shrub that is easy to grow in the sun or shade. It produces beautiful red hibiscus like flowers that attracts pollinators. Additionally, it is drought tolerant and can recover quickly after periods of heat.

<u>Fun Fact</u>: Trees For Houston has these species at our facility, hummingbirds have **loved** them!



