

USDA Hardiness Zones, AHS Heat Zones					
Common Name	Latin Name	Zones	Fall Color	Height	Notes
Northeast					
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	4 to 9	Red, orange	20-30'	Flowers in spring. Edible fruit in June
American hornbeam	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	3b to 9	Yellow, orange, or scarlet	25-30'	Good as an understory tree. Can tolerate wet sites
American Smoke Tree	<i>Cotinus obovatus</i>	4 to 8	Yellow, orange	20-30'	Summer flowers not as showy as <i>C. coggygria</i> , but tolerates drought and limestone soils
American Beech	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>	3 to 9, 9 to 1	Yellow	80'	Best in slightly acidic soil. Slow-growing.
Summit Green Ash	<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> 'Summit'	4 to 9, 9 to 1	Yellow	45'	Fast-growing and adaptable to most soil types.
American Sweet Gum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	6 to 9, 9 to 6	Red	100'	Beautiful, bright fall color. Prickly fruit. 'Festival' is a great cultivar for warmer climates.
Sour Gum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	4 to 9, 9 to 2	Red	70'	Good street or specimen tree. Does not tolerate shade. Pollinated females produce fruit attractive to birds.
Eastern hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	3b to 9	Yellow	25-35'	Good understory tree. Greenish-white fruit hangs in small bunches. Tolerates wet soils
Chokeberry	<i>Prunus virginiana</i> 'Canada Red'	2 to 6	Red	25'	Dark-red through summer and fall. Edible fruit is good for jellies and jam
Scarlet Oak	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	5 to 9, 9 to 4	Red	70'	Best in dry, sandy soils. Most leaves persist through winter.
Cutleaf Staghorn Sumac	<i>Rhus typhina</i> 'Laciniata'	3 to 8, 8 to 1	Yellow, orange, red	15'	A great smaller option. Yellow-green flowers in summer. Female plants produce crimson fruit in fall.
Common Sassafras	<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	4 to 8, 8 to 3	yellow, orange, scarlet	30-60'	One of the best native trees for fall color. Bark used to make sassafras tea.
Bald Cypress	<i>Taxodium distichum</i>	5 to 11, 12 to 5	Rust-brown	80'	Needle-like leaves drop in fall. Aerial root "stubs" in wet soil.
Southeast					
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	4 to 9	Red, orange	20-30'	Flowers in spring. Edible fruit in June
Paw Paw	<i>Asimina triloba</i>	5 to 8	Yellow	20-25'	Edible fruits. Minimal insect or disease problems
American hornbeam	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	3b to 9	Yellow, orange, or scarlet	25-30'	Good as an understory tree. Can tolerate wet sites
Flowering Dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i>	5 to 9	Red to maroon	15-25'	Good as an understory tree or full-sun. Showy spring blooms
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Franklin Tree	<i>Franklinia alatahama</i>	5 to 8	Orange, red	25-30'	Needs partial shade and moist, sandy, slightly acidic soil
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Honeylocust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	3 to 7, 7 to 1	Yellow	70'	Very adaptable, grows well in most conditions. Very salt tolerant
Mountain Silverbell	<i>Halesia monticola</i>	5 to 8	Yellow	30-40'	White bell-shaped flowers in April to May
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Sourwood	<i>Oxydendron arboreum</i>	5 to 9	Red	30-40'	One of my favorite trees for fall color. Long, white flowers in summer and bright red leaves in fall
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Mountain Stewartia	<i>Stewartia ovata</i>	5 to 8	Orange, red	10-15'	Large white flowers in June and July. Prefers moist, fertile soils in part shade
American Snowbell	<i>Styrax americanus</i>	5 to 9	Red-Orange	6-15'	Prefers moist, acid, sandy soils. Full sun to some shade. Fragrant white flowers in spring
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Paperbark Maple	<i>Acer griseum</i>	5 to 7	Red, orange, and yellow	20-30'	Slow growing. Attractive peeling bark throughout the year
Franksred Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> 'Franksred'	4 to 9, 9 to 1	Red	45'	Great specimen tree. Doesn't do well in polluted environments.
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Willow Oak	<i>Quercus phellos</i>	6 to 9, 9 to 3	Yellow, orange, red	70'	Fast growing and transplants better than most oak species. Prefers moist, well-drained environments.
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