



# 2025 Culpeper SWCD Tree Sale

Five of one species for \$5 (except American chestnut)  
**PICK UP FOR ALL PLANTS IS 3/22/2025 and 3/23/2025**  
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**American chestnut hybrid (*Castanea dentata x mollissima x crenata*)**  
Full Sun to Partial Sun; seedlings from open-pollinated nuts collected from select (blight tolerant with American chestnut form and appearance) trees in the Lesesne State Forest chestnut breeding area. Exact pedigree cannot be guaranteed because they are open-pollinated (male parent unknown), but these likely contain more than 50% American chestnut DNA with the remainder a mix of Chinese and/or Japanese chestnut origin. Should have improved blight resistance and are more likely to survive than wild-type American chestnut, but still are likely to become infected and may not survive to maturity.



**Eastern redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)**  
Full sun to shade tolerant; Eastern redbud reaches a mature size of 15-30 feet in height and 6-10 inches in diameter. It grows on moist, well-drained woodlands. The wood is heavy, hard, not strong and rich, dark brown in color. Some birds and mammals eat the seeds. Redbud is planted as an ornamental tree suitable for small landscapes.



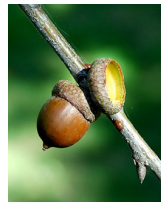
**Red maple (*Acer rubra*)**  
Full sun to shade tolerant; Red maple reaches a mature size of up to 90 feet in height and 2½ feet in diameter. It grows on a variety of sites, from dry ridges to swamps. The fruit and buds are a primary food source for gray squirrels in late winter and early spring. Birds and mice eat the seeds and deer browse the young sprouts. Red maple is a popular shade and ornamental tree, with brilliant fall color.



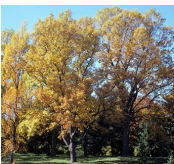
**White/flowering dogwood (*Cornus florida*)**  
Full sun to shade tolerant; White dogwood is a small tree with a short trunk that branches low, producing a slightly rounded to flat-topped crown. This species will reach heights of 20-30 feet with a mature diameter of 1-2 feet, making it a attractive ornamental tree. Growth is best on well-drained, clay, loamy, sandy soils. Very small, inconspicuous flowers that are surrounded by four large white bracts appear in mid-spring. Although the fruits are poisonous if eaten by humans, more than 35 species of birds and many large and small mammals are known to eat them. The white dogwood is the state tree and state flower of Virginia.



**Northern red oak (*Quercus rubra*)**  
Full sun; Northern red oak reaches a mature size of 70-90 feet in height and 2-3 feet in diameter. It achieves best growth on north and east slopes, but is commonly found on deep, well-drained, loamy soils and fertile coves. The acorns provide food for many mammals and birds. The trees symmetrical shape and fall color make it a desirable landscape tree. Northern red oak is one of the most important timber trees in the eastern US.



**Virginia pine (*Pinus virginiana*)**  
Full sun; Virginia pine reaches a mature size of 50-80 feet in height and 12-14 inches in diameter. Small songbirds eat the seeds and may roost in thick stands of young pine. Virginia pines tolerance for poor soil makes it suitable for reclaiming strip-mined lands. Its habitat includes various well-drained soils, and it can tolerate eroded and dry soil.



**Yellow poplar (*Linodendron tulipifera*)**  
Full sun; Yellow-poplar reaches a mature size of 90-110 feet in height and 2-3 feet in diameter, but can reach nearly 200 feet in height and 10 feet in diameter. Its habitat includes various moist, well-drained sites statewide, but it attains best growth on deep moist soils along streams and in lower mountain coves. Sprouts and buds are a major food of deer, and birds and squirrels eat the seeds. The flowers are an important nectar source for honey production. Yellow-poplar makes an impressive shade tree for large landscapes.





# PICK UP FOR ALL PLANTS IS March 21 & 22, 2025

## RETURNING: POLLINATOR MEADOW SEED MIX FOR SMALL AREAS OF YOUR YARD!

This meadow seed mix includes an already pre-mixed cover crop and will cover a 1,000 square foot area. The meadow mix does best in sunny areas that receive 6 hours or more of sunlight. The mix is designed for both riparian and upland sites. Detailed instructions will accompany the seed mix at pick up.

### **RETURNING THIS YEAR: Live stakes to address streambank erosion and other uses**

Silky dogwood (*Cornaceae cornus amomum*) and Buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*). These shrub cuttings come in bundles and root readily when planted in moist soils.



Whether you have an eroding stream bank or want to restore a riparian area, consider planting with live stakes. Live staking is the practice of using unrooted cuttings to propagate shrubs and some trees for establishing vegetation in difficult riparian areas such as stream banks and floodplains. Using cuttings from dormant multi-stem shrubs and trees which have the capacity to grow roots once they are tapped or hammered into the ground.

<https://extension.psu.edu/live-staking-for-stream-restoration>  
Silky picture from North Carolina Extension Gardener Toolkit  
Buttonbush picture from [Penn State Extension](https://pennstate.edu/extension)



Species	Price	Quantity	Species	Price	Quantity
American chestnut (5 seedlings)	\$35		Northern red oak (5 seedlings)	\$5	
Eastern redbud (5 seedlings)	\$5		Virginia pine (5 seedlings)	\$5	
Red maple (5 seedlings)	\$5		Yellow poplar (5 seedlings)	\$5	
White dogwood (5 seedlings)	\$5		Meadow mix	\$30	
Silky dogwood (25 live stakes)	\$25		Buttonbush (25 live stakes)	\$25	
<b>TOTAL COST: (check or cash only)</b>					

Name	
Address	
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Checks payable to CSWCD. Pick up dates are Friday March 21 and Saturday March 22, 2025 at 351 Lakeside Drive in Culpeper. Plants not picked up by 12pm on Saturday March 23, 2024 may be forfeited without a refund. We do our best to insure quality control. However, no refunds on trees that do not grow. Questions? Contact Stephanie DeNicola at [stephanied@culpeperswcd.org](mailto:stephanied@culpeperswcd.org) or 540-825-8591. Mail order form & payment to ATTN Tree Sale, CSWCD, 351 Lakeside Drive, Culpeper, VA 22701. Species descriptions & pictures from Virginia Tech Dendrology <https://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/factsheets.cfm> & VDOF