

About Containerized Tree Seedlings

In spring of 1945, Trees For Tomorrow introduced a program that offered two seedlings for every tree cut in support of the war effort. The purpose of this program was to provide a local self-sustaining wood supply for industry by encouraging small forest landowners to plant trees and practice sound forest management principles.

Today, Trees For Tomorrow, a private, nonprofit natural resources specialty school promoting sustainability to groups of all ages, continues the tradition of offering tree seedlings. **Proceeds help Trees For Tomorrow deliver balanced, objective information on the management and use of trees, forests, and other natural resources.**

Each seedling has been grown in its own "cell" in nutrient-rich soil. These containerized seedlings, with their roots already growing in a plug of soil, have better universal survival rates than bare-root seedlings because they handle a variety of sites, dry weather conditions and poor planting techniques. Although the seedlings are ready to plant when you receive them, they can be kept in their containers for weeks if watered regularly. This is a tremendous advantage allowing you the flexibility of planting them whenever the season and weather are favorable and the danger of frost has passed. **Choose a planting site carefully as trees need enough space to grow to their mature size without getting in the way of power lines or buildings.**

Trees For Tomorrow provides a variety of quality containerized tree seedlings that can be shipped directly to your home any time between mid-May and October. The seedlings can also be picked up at Trees For Tomorrow with advance notice.



Trees beautify your yard, attract wildlife, create windbreaks, provide a visual barrier, prevent soil erosion, and reduce carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

Planting Instructions

Water the seedlings well in their containers the night before planting. Prepare the area where the seedlings will be planted, reducing or eliminating competing vegetation such as grasses and brush. Each seedling should have about 1-square-foot area of cleared soil. **Tree seedlings should generally be planted about 8 feet apart or in staggered rows 7 feet apart for a windbreak.**

Plunge a planting bar, shovel or even sturdy trowel vertically into the ground about 6-8 inches deep (the length of the tree root and soil plug). Wiggle it back and forth to open a slit in the ground a little wider than the diameter of the tree root/soil plug.

Firmly grasp a tree seedling's stem in the container just above the soil line and pull it out. Place the tree's root/soil plug in the slit in the ground just made. The plug must hang vertically in the slit without curling or bending. The base of the seedling's stem should be even with the ground where it is planted.

Using the same planting tool, make another vertical slit about 6-8 inches deep, an inch or two from the first. Pull back on the handle first, away from the seedling, to close the ground around the bottom of the seedling, eliminating the dead air space that can dry out its roots. Then push the planting tool forward toward the seedling, closing the slit at the top of the plug. Firmly tap the soil in place around the seedling with your shoe. Water to settle the soil, eliminate remaining air pockets, and provide moisture to the roots. **Fertilizing is not necessary but water the trees, if possible, in drought conditions. Young trees can be smothered by competing brush and grass soon after planting. Consider weeding for the first few years.**



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"The best friend on earth of man is the tree. When we use the tree respectfully & economically, we have one of the greatest resources on earth."

~Frank Lloyd Wright



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Red (Norway) Pine (*Pinus resinosa*)

Red pines grow very straight and can provide a good border or barrier to a property. The red pine has two needles per bundle with each needle ranging in length from 4 to 6 inches. Branches and needles that do not receive full sunlight will naturally die, creating a full canopy and open understory.

Mature size: 80 to 90 feet tall.

Light needs: Needs full sunlight.

Soil needs: Prefers well-drained, sandy soils.



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Norway Spruce (*Picea abies*)

Seed from a designated U.S. Forest Service Seed Orchard showing some of the fastest growth naturally. Selections made from a long-term study of an orchard planted in 1933 near Eagle River, WI. The present orchard was planted in 1960 from select grafts taken from Eagle River orchard. These trees are adapted to Wisconsin climate and show superior resistance to cold and optimal growth. Great for wind breaks.

Mature size: 40 to 60 feet tall.

Light needs: Needs full sunlight.

Soil needs: Prefers moist, well-drained sandy and clay soils.



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White Pine (*Pinus strobus*)

White pine is the largest conifer in the northeastern United States. The bark on young trees is smooth and gray with bluish green needles that are soft to the touch and appear in bundles of five. Cylindrical, brown cones are usually not produced until 5-10 years. An important timber tree. This tree is important for its lumber and is used extensively in reforestation.

Mature size: 75 to 100 feet tall.

Light needs: Needs full sunlight.

Soil needs: Prefers moist, well-drained, loamy to sandy soils.



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Northern White Cedar (*Thuja occidentalis L.*)

Northern white cedar is a fast growing small or medium-sized tree. The leaves are yellow-green, scale-like and flattened with a foliage spray often fan-like. The bark is brown in color and fibrous. White cedar is widely used as an ornamental tree, particularly for screens and hedges as well as for field and farmstead windbreaks. It grows mainly in places with cooler summers.

Mature size: 40 to 50 feet tall.

Light needs: Needs full sunlight.

Soil needs: Prefers moist, well-drained sandy soils.



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**LIMITED SUPPLY
Must call to order**

2020 Seedling Order Form

Available for shipping or pickup in mid-May and later while supplies last.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Ship date: _____ or pickup date: _____

(MUST call ahead)

SEEDLING SPECIES	QTY.
Red (Norway) Pine.....	_____
White Pine.....	_____
Norway Spruce.....	_____
Northern White Cedar.....	LIMITED SUPPLY-Must call to order
Order total	* x \$1.50 each = \$_____

Total number of trees

Shipping (see below)..... \$_____

Grand Total \$_____

Note: No shipping fees for orders picked up at Trees For Tomorrow. Minimum order to ship is 20 seedlings.

WI, IL, MN, MI Shipping*
up to \$45.....\$12.00
\$46-\$199.....25%
\$200-\$999.....22%
\$1000 & up.....20%

All other states Shipping
Please call 715-479-6456
* Prices include sales tax

Payment method

Cash: _____

Check number: _____ Date: _____

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Visa MasterCard Discover Am Express

Card # _____

Exp. date: _____ CVV#: _____

Signature: _____

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