Native Trees and Shrubs in Coastal Douglas-Fir Woodlands

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Characteristics	(m)	atic	NOW O	ry Mol	5893	FIII	Part 4	Wildlife	Pollinator Friend	VDrough	t Resistant	Food/Medicin	e Fasy-to-Grow	
LARGE Evergree			(11)									Jerough	rtoolotunt	1 oourniouronn		Tropogution
Grand Fir	Abies grandis	Tolerates full sun to full shade on dry to moist sites; grows best on fresh to moist, nutrient-rich sites.	50 12	mec	•	√ v	∕ √	∕ √	-	L and						Cones
Douglas-fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Prefers drier sites; roots provide stability in eroding areas and help create fish habitat.	70 18	fast	 Image: A start of the start of	✓ v	∕ √	∕ √	1						✓	Cones
Western Redcedar	Thuja plicata	Grows best on seepage or floodplain sites, common along streamsides.	60 10	mec	1	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	1	L Juli						Cones
Western Hemlock	Tsuga heterophylla	Tolerates full sun to full shade on moist to dry slopes; grows best on river terraces and flats. Not common in our region.	60 12	fast	:	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	 ✓ 							Cones
SMALL/MEDIUM	Evergreen Trees															
Arbutus	Arbutus menziesii	Large broadleaf evergreen tree; reddish peeling bark, white flowers and red fruit (in fall).	30 15	very slow			✓	∕	-	/			✓			Berries
Shore Pine	Pinus contorta	To 30m if straight; often has crooked form; tolerant of low- nutrient conditions and exposed windy coastal sites.	20 5	mec	ı 🗸		√	 ✓ 	-				✓			Cones
Western White Pine	Pinus monticola	Full sun to part shade; prefers moist to dry slopes in the lowland and montane zones.	40 10	mec	ı 🗸		√	 ✓ 	1				✓			Cones
Western Yew	Taxus brevifolia	Tolerates partial sun to full shade on moist sites; grows best in productive older forests.	15 8	slow	,	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	 ✓ 							Cones
LARGE Deciduou	is Trees															
Bigleaf Maple	Acer macrophyllum	Large deciduous tree; dry to moist sites; deep wide root system provides good erosion control on slopes.	18	fast	✓	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	-	1				✓	✓	Seeds
Red Alder	Alnus rubra	Fast growing hardy deciduous tree; nitrogen fixer that seeds prolifically on bare soil; typical 40-50 year lifespan.	25 10	very fast		√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 		and a sub-					\checkmark	Cones
Western Flowering Dogwood	Cornus nuttallii	Medium deciduous tree; moist, well-drained sites; grows best along streams or gullies in mixed forest.	20 6	mec	1	√ v	/	✓	 ✓ 	🖌 🕎 🕉	· •				\checkmark	Berries
Oregon Ash	Fraxinus latifolia	Medium deciduous tree; On low elevation wet to moist sites; prefers streams and estuaries in the lowland zone.	20 8	mec	1	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	-				✓			Seeds
Black Cottonwood	Populus balsamifera	Fast growing deciduous tree; prefers moist to saturated soils including floodplains; good for streambank stabilization.	60 12	very fast		✓ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	1	a an						Buds
Trembling Aspen	Populus tremuloides	Moist to moderate soils including moist ravines and some floodplains; pioneer species increasing soil nutrients	25 6	fast	\checkmark	√ v	/ /	 ✓ 	1	of the second se						Root cuttings
Garry Oak	Quercus garryana	Much smaller on exposed sites; associated with many native wildflowers; very drought resistant.	25 14	very slow			✓	 ✓ 	1	le sille			✓	✓		Acorns
SMALL/MEDIUM	Deciduous Trees															
Douglas Maple	Acer glabrum	Usually an understorey tree in moist areas; showy fall colour; good for shore stabilization.	10 8	mec	•	√ v	∕ √	 ✓ 	 ✓ 							Seeds
Black Hawthorn	Crataegus douglasii	High resistance to beaver damage, good choice for streamside long sharp spines have a human buffering value.	; 10 8	mec	•	√ v	/ /	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	/ W	✓			✓		Berries

		Shrub or small tree; prefers moist areas near standing or	10	Γ.			1											
Pacific Crab Apple	Malus fusca	flowing water; small apples are edible but tart.	10	med		√ 1	/ v			\$ -35					✓			Apples
Bitter Cherry	Prunus emarginata	Shrub or small tree; prefers moist areas and along streams; bright red cherries are great for attracting wildlife.	15 6	med		√ \	< v	∕ √	/	2-35	١	/			✓	•		Cherries
Cascara	Rhamnus purshiana	Good for slope stabilizing and erosion control; fruits are good for birds; bark is a strong laxative which deters beavers.	12 8	slow		√ ∖	/ \	 	/ •									Berries
Hooker's Willow	Salix hookeriana	Lance to egg shaped leaves; valuable restoration species for slope and streambank stabilization.	8 6	fast		√ 1	/ \	/ •		1 and							\checkmark	Cuttings
Pacific Willow	Salix lucida	River banks, wet meadows, even standing water; valuable restoration species for stabilization.	11 8	fast		√ 1	< v	/ •	/	1							✓	Cuttings
Scouler's Willow	Salix scouleriana	Common in streamsides, clearings, forest edges; valuable for slope and streambank stabilization and bio-engineering.	12 12	fast		√ 1	< v	∕ √	/	1							✓	Cuttings
Sitka Willow	Salix sitchensis	Deciduous shrubby tree; grows quickly in moist to saturated soils; excellent choice for streambank stabilization.	12 6	fast		√ 1	< v	∕ √	/	1							✓	Cuttings
LARGE Shrubs																		
Saskatoon	Amelanchier alnifolia	Clusters of white flowers become small fruit; good for shore stabilization on drier sites. Not shade tolerant.	5 3	med	\checkmark	√ 1	/ ,	/ •	/ •	/ 2-35	٦	1	١	1	✓			Berries
Red-osier Dogwood	Cornus stolonifera	Freely spreading red-stemmed deciduous shrub; prefers moist soils; propagates from cuttings.	6 3	very fast		√ \	< v	∕ √	/	W7 🛩							\checkmark	Cuttings
Oceanspray	Holodiscus discolor	Several main stems to 4m tall; lilac-like clusters of white flowers become brown and remain through winter.	4 1.5	fast	✓	√ 1	< v	/ •	/ •	< 👾 🥓 🕉	٦	1	٦	1			✓	Seeds
Black Twinberry	Lonicera involucrata	Several upright stems; moist forest, thicket, and streamside habitats; fast-growing, valuable riparian species.	3 1.5	fast		√ 1	< v	∕ √	/	2-35	٦	1			✓		✓	Seeds
Indian Plum	Oemleria cerasiformis	Deciduous; early clusters of white flowers, edible plum-like fruits; prefers dry to moist sites in open areas.	5 2	fast	\checkmark	✓	٦	∕ √	/ •	/ 🖌 💓 🐝	١	1	٦	1			✓	Plums
LARGE Shrubs (co	ontd)																	
Mock Orange	Philadelphus lewisii	Very showy deciduous shrub; clusters of fragrant white flowers attrack butterflies; Lives in a variety of habitats.	3 2	fast	\checkmark	✓	•	∕ √	/ •	 \$	١	1	٦	1			✓	Seeds
Pacific Ninebark	Physocarpus capitatus	Deciduous shrub, terminal clusters of small white flowers; sun to shade in moist humus-rich soil.	3 4	fast		√ 1		~	/	- 🀝							✓	Seeds
Salmonberry	Rubus spectabilis	Early showy pink flowers, tasty orange/red berries; stream banks, swamps; early colonizer; spreads rapidly.	4 2	med		√ 1		~	/ •	/ 🥬	٦	1			\checkmark			Berries
Blue Elderberry	Sambucus cerulea	Deciduous; Moist to mesic meadows, grasslands, shrublands, disturbed areas, and open forests.	6 3	fast		√ 1	< v	∕ √	/ •	/ 🥬	٦	1			\checkmark			Berries
Red Elderberry	Sambucus racemosa	Fast growing erect shrub to 6m; stream banks, swampy thickets, and moist clearings; streambank stabilization.	6 3	fast		√ 1	</td <td>∕ √</td> <td>/ •</td> <td>/ 🥬</td> <td>١</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Berries</td>	∕ √	/ •	/ 🥬	١	1			✓			Berries
Evergreen Huckleberry	Vaccinium ovatum	Evergreen shrub that forms a good screen; edible berries good for wildlife; broad range of habitats if moist enough.	4	med		√ \		V	/ •						✓		\checkmark	Berries
SMALL/MEDIUM S	hrubs			_														
Salal	Gaultheria shallon	Most common forest understorey shrub in our region. grows to 5m tall (usually less than 1m in our region).	1 .5	med	\checkmark	✓		~	/ •	1 2 5 3					✓		✓	Berries
Black Gooseberry	Ribes laclustre	Slender, sharp prickles; moist, nutrient rich soils in semi- forested areas and stream banks. Good for deterring humans.	2 1	med		√ \	/ \	/ •	/ •	1 🖉 👷 🐝					✓			Berries
Baldhip Rose	Rosa gymnocarpa	Spindly deciduous shrub with pink flowers; red hips persist through winter; spreads readily by underground runners.	1.5 1	med		١		V	1	- M. M. M.								Rose hips
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Nootka Rose	Rosa nutkana	Deciduous with broad pink flowers; red hips persist through winter; thickets create an effective barrier.	3 2	med		√ √	√	 ✓ 	 ✓ 3/3 	✓	✓	✓	✓	Rose hips
Clustered Rose	Rosa pisocarpa	Deciduous with clusters of pink flowers; red hips persist through winter; moist thickets, streambanks, and swamps.	2 1	med	✓	√	√	 ✓ 	 ✓ 3/2 	✓				Rose hips
Thimbleberry	Rubus parviflorus	Open sites, roadsides, exposed stream areas; dense thickets for stabilizing dry slopes and streambanks.	3 2	fast		√	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	🖌 🌶 💥 🐝	✓		✓	✓	Berries
Hardhack	Spiraea douglasii	Multi-branched shrub; dense terminal clusters of pink flowers; sun to semi-shade in moist to wet soils.	2 1	med		✓	✓	-	√ 🀝					Seeds
Snowberry	Symphoricarpus albus	Drought tolerant; excellent soil-binding characteristics; spreads readily by underground runners.	2 1	fast		~	-	✓	\$ -\$	✓	✓		✓	Seeds
Wildflowers														
False Solomon's Seal	Smilacina racemosa	Grows in moist forests, along streambanks, in clearings	1	fast		√ √	1		\checkmark	✓			\checkmark	Berries
Hooker's Fairybells	Disporum hookeri	Grows in moist coniferous forests at low elevations		med		√	-		✓	✓				Berries
Western Trillium	Trillium ovatum	Grows in moist forests, along streambanks, in shaded areas		med		√			✓	✓				Seeds
False Lily of the Valley	Maianthemum dilatatum	Grows in moist to wet shady woods, along streambanks		fast		√			✓	✓		✓	✓	Berries
White Fawn Lily	Erythronium oregonum	Grows in well drained, grassy open woodlands, forest edges		slow		✓		\checkmark		✓				Bulbs
Nodding Onion	Allium cernuum	Grows in dry open forests, grassy slopes, often with Douglas-fir		slow	✓			\checkmark		\checkmark	✓	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	Bulbs
Fool's Onion	Brodiaea hyacinthina	Grows in dry open grasslands at low elevations		slow	✓		√			✓	✓			Seeds
Miner's Lettuce	Claytonia perfoliata	Grows in moist to dry, open to shady woodland sites, adjacent to trees and shrubs	1	fast		✓		\checkmark				\checkmark	✓	Seeds
Smooth Alumroot	Heuchera glabra	Grows in rocky meadows, along streambanks, moist rocks		slow		√	1	\checkmark				\checkmark		Seeds
Fringecup	Tellima grandiflora	Grows in moist forests on path edges, streambanks, glades	1	fast		✓		\checkmark				\checkmark	✓	Seeds
Foamflower	Tiarella trifoliata	Grows in moist shady coniferous forests, on streambanks		slow		✓			✓	✓				Seeds
Western Buttercup	Ranunculus occidentalis		1	fast		✓		\checkmark		✓	✓		✓	Seeds
Red Columbine	Aquilegia formosa	Grows in variety of moist, open to shady forest sites, meadows and clearings	1	fast		✓		✓		\checkmark		✓	 ✓ 	Seeds
Menzie's Larkspur	Delphinium menziesii	Grows on grassy bluffs, vernal grassland and in meadows		med		✓		\checkmark		\checkmark			\checkmark	Seeds
Goat'sbeard	Aruncus dioicus	Grows in 'edge' habitats on roadsides, forests, streambanks		fast	✓			\checkmark		✓		\checkmark	✓	Seeds
Large-leaved Avens	Geum macrophyllum	Grows in open forests, along pathways		fast	\checkmark			\checkmark		✓		✓	✓	Seeds
Large-leaved Lupine	Lupinus polyphyllus	Grows in variety of open habitats, meadows, slopes		fast		✓	✓			✓				Seeds
Early Blue Violet	Viola adunca	Grows in dry to moist meadows, open woods, grasslands		fast		✓		\checkmark		✓	✓	✓	✓	Seeds
Fireweed	Epilobium angustifolium	Grows in moist to dry disturbed sites, including roadsides and recent burns	1	fast	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	Seeds

Cow-Parsnip	Heracleum lanatum	Grows on streambanks, moist slopes, clearings, meadows, thickets, roadsides	r	ned		√ •		V	/	\checkmark		\checkmark		Seeds
Pacific Sanicle	Sanicula crassicaulis	Grows in moist to dry open forest, thickets on shoreline bluffs	f	ast	✓	✓		V	/	✓			✓	Burs
Pacific Water Parsley	Oenanthe sarmentosa	Grows in wet sites in thickets, along streams, sloughs, wet meadows and forest edges	f	ast		√ ,		~	/			✓	\checkmark	Seeds
Field Mint	Mentha arvensis	Grows on streambanks, wet meadows, clearings, seepage sites, shorelines	f	ast		√ •			•	\checkmark		\checkmark	✓	Nutlets
Yerba Buena	Satureja douglasii	Grows in open, well drained coniferous forest, rocky thickets	f	ast	✓			v	1	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	Nutlets
Self-Heal	Prunella vulgaris	Grows in moist roadsides, ditches, clearings, forest edges	f	ast		 ✓ 		V	1	✓		✓	\checkmark	Nutlets
Yarrow	Achillea millefolium	Grows in dry to moist, well-drained meadows,rocky slopes, in open forest	f	ast	✓	✓	v			✓	✓	✓	✓	Achenes
Douglas Aster	Aster subspicatus	Grows on beaches, meadows, thicket edges, moist clearings	f	ast		✓		V	1	✓			\checkmark	Achenes
Canada Goldenrod	Solidago canadensis	Grows on roadsides, meadows, thickets, forest openings and edges	f	ast	✓		v			✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	Achenes