

Tree Planting Process

Getting our hands dirty!

When planting your tree, we dig **a shallow, broad planting hole**, as wide as 2x the width of the root ball and as deep as the root ball.

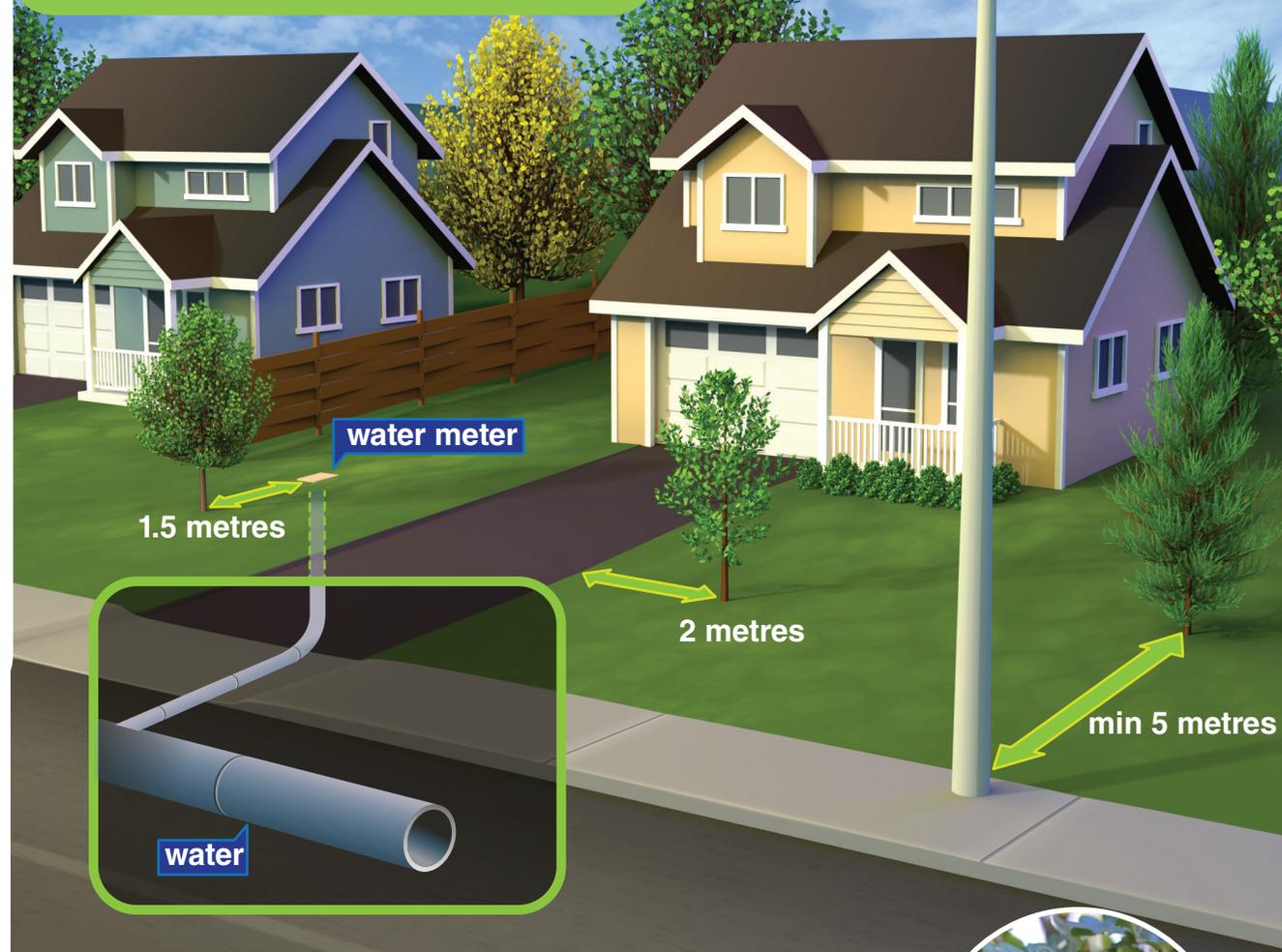
We prepare the rootball for planting and place the tree in the hole. Then **backfill** the hole gently but firmly around the base of the roots.

The tree is staked and a 5–10cm layer of mulch is put around the tree. Mulching helps to suppress weeds and retain moisture.

During summer months (May–September) a young tree needs at least 38–57 litres (10–15 gallons) of **water each week**. Contact Saanich Parks if you can help by filling a water bag, provided by Saanich.

A Home for our Tree

Planting the right tree in the right place



Things to Consider

What are we working with?

Space / Height / Spread

Please see *Boulevard Tree Setbacks*

- Overhead power lines
- Driveway / House proximity issues
- Sidewalk
- Underground services (*Gas / Water / Sewer*)
- Other trees

Site Conditions

Exposure

- Full sun
- Partial sun

Soil Moisture

- Moist
- Dry

Soil Type

- Sandy (S)
- Clay (C)
- Other (O)

Tree Characteristics

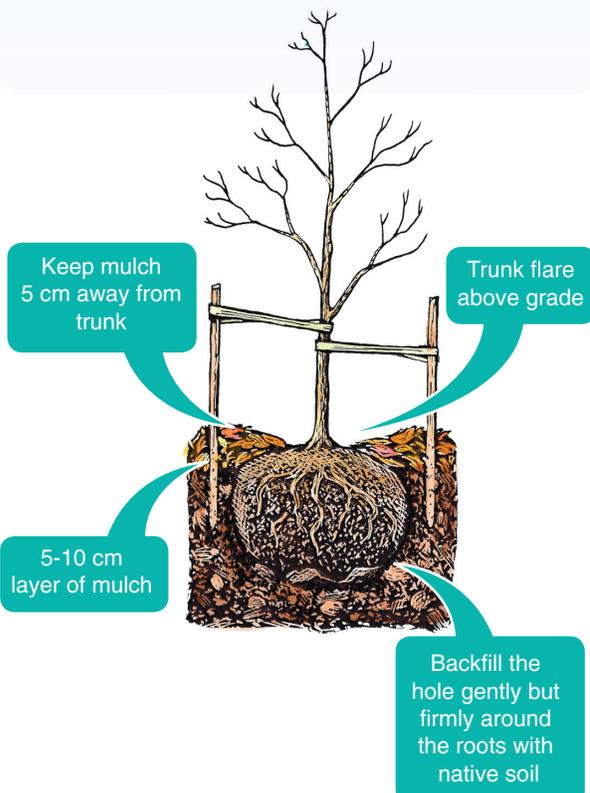
Deciduous
(*Seasonal foliage*)

Evergreen
(*Foliage year round*)

Flowering

Foliage

Native



Boulevard Tree Setbacks

Dependant on tree species

Newly planted trees shall have greater than:

- Five meters distance from BC Hydro pole or Saanich street light.
- Two meters distance from driveway, fire hydrant or building foundation.
- One and a half meters in horizontal distance from underground utilities.
- One meter distance from back of the curb or sidewalk.



Garry Oak

Douglas Fir

Flowering Dogwood

REQUIRED INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

Name

Address

Phone No.

Email

Preferred tree specie(s)

- 1
- 2
- 3

Tree Selection Process

A Step-By-Step Guide

- 1 Boulevard Tree Approved for Removal**
Action: Saanich staff approves removal. Stump ground where possible at a later date.
- 2 Replacement Tree Selected**
Action: Homeowner uses tree selection list to select desired replacement tree and two alternatives. If you do not wish to make a selection then Saanich Parks will select an appropriate species on your behalf
- 3 Tree Selection Confirmed**
Action: Saanich representative, with input from your selection, choose the most suitable tree that is available for your location.
- 4 Planting Confirmed**
Action: Saanich Parks will contact you (via door knocker or email) with approximate planting location and date.
- 5 Tree Planted by Saanich staff**
Action: Saanich staff plants (Nov.–Apr.), stakes and mulches the tree. After planting, care and watering is provided for 3–5 years

Once you have made a selection:

Contact the Parks Urban Forestry Technician or Saanich Parks Administration, with your tree selection, address and contact information.

Email : parks@saanich.ca

Phone: 250-475-5522

Fax: 250-475-5525

Mail: Saanich Parks Department
 1040 McKenzie Ave
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Boulevard Tree Species Options

and their Scientific Names

	LOCATION		SITE CONDITIONS			CHARACTERISTICS
	Height	Spread	Exposure	Preferred Soil Moisture	Soil Type	
Small						
Japanese Snowbell - <i>Styrax japonicus</i>	6 m	5 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	O	DD-F
Lavalle Hawthorn - <i>Crataegus x lavallei</i>	6 m	5 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-F
Amur Maple - <i>Acer ginnala</i>	6 m	7 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-FA
*Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry - Amelanchier Grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance'	6 m	3 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-F
Venus Dogwood - <i>Cornus kousa x nutalli</i> 'Venus'	6 m	4 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	O-S	DD-F
*Eddie's White Wonder Dogwood - <i>Cornus nuttalli x florida</i> 'Eddie's White Wonder'	8 m	4 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	O	DD-F-FA
Medium						
Eastern Redbud - <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	9 m	5 m	PS	Moist soil	O	DD-FA
Shademaster Honeylocust - <i>Gleditsia Triacanthos</i> var. <i>inermis</i> 'Shademaster'	12 m	12 m	FS	Moist soil	O	DD-F
Japanese Katsura - <i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	12 m	8 m	FS	Moist soil	O	DD-FA
Pacific Sunset Maple - <i>Acer truncatum x A. platanoides</i> 'Warrensred'	10 m	6 m	FS	Moist soil	A	DD-FA
Butterflies Magnolia - <i>Magnolia acuminata</i> 'Butterflies'	10 m	5 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	A	DD-F
Persian Ironwood 'Ruby Vase' - <i>Parrotia persica</i> 'Ruby Vase'	8 m	4 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-FA
Columnar						
Green Pillar Pin Oak - <i>Quercus palustris</i> 'Pringreen' Green Pillar	14 m	3 m	FS	Moist soil	A	DD-FA
Gum Drop Tupelo - <i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> 'Gum Drop'	10 m	4 m	FS	Moist soil	A	DD-FA
Serbian Spruce 'Bruns' - <i>Picea omorika</i> 'Bruns'	12 m	2 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	EV
Slender Silhouette Sweetgum - <i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> 'Slender Silhouette'	12 m	2 m	FS	Moist Soil	A	DD-FA
Armstrong Gold Maple - <i>Acer rubrum</i> 'Armstrong Gold'	12 m	2 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	EV
Large						
*Big Leaf Maple - <i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	25 m	20 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	A	DD-FA
Maidenhair Tree - <i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	15 m	8 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-FA
Crimson King Norway Maple - <i>Acer platanoides</i> 'Crimson King'	15 m	10 m	FS	Drought tolerant	A	DD-FA
*Douglas Fir - <i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>	30 m	15 m	FS	Drought tolerant	S-O	EV
Forest Green Oak - <i>Quercus frainetto</i> 'Forest Green'	15 m	10 m	FS	Drought tolerant	O-C	DD
*Garry Oak - <i>Quercus garryana</i>	20 m	12 m	FS	Drought tolerant	O-C	DD
*Western Red Cedar - <i>Thuja plicata</i> 'Excoelsa'	20 m	10 m	FS/PS	Moist soil	A	EV

Site Conditions	Exposure	FS	Full Sun
		PS	Partial Sun
	Soil Moisture		Moist Soil
			Drought Tolerant
	Soil Type	S	Sandy
		O	Other
		C	Clay
		A	All Soil Types

Characteristics	DD	Deciduous
	EV	Evergreen
	F	Flowering
	FA	Fall Foliage
	*	Native Tree

Public Trees

Tree Selection

When Saanich Parks approves the **removal of a tree** from a public right of way, **a replacement tree is replanted where possible.**

This brochure contains some helpful tips on **how to select the proper tree** for your frontage



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