Replanting Weston

Recommended Residential Tree List
Residential Replanting

RECOMMENDATIONS

City landscape architects, inspectors and arborists, all surveyed Weston after Hurricane Wilma to see which species of trees fared well and which did not.

They have provided the following recommended list for residential planting, whether replanting from the hurricane or just landscaping your yard. These are native species which fare significantly better than others during a storm.

The Weston Announcer will have a continuing series of pull-out sections and articles on Replanting Weston including tips on maintaining healthy and viable vegetation and the importance of proper tree pruning. It will keep you updated on the City’s progress to replant our rights-of-ways which suffered severe damage and loss of vegetation due to the storm.

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Trees for Residential Properties in Weston

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RECOMMENDATIONS
Shade Trees

Requirements:
- Florida Grade #1 or better
- 14’ Overall Height
- 5’-7’ Spread
- 4.5’ Clear Trunk
- 2.5” Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)
- Consideration for root and canopy growth required before planting
- Trees planted within 5’ of driveway or sidewalk should have root barrier

Beautyleaf
*Calophyllum brasiliense*
- Evergreen tree with medium-coarse texture that may reach well over 30’
- Glossy medium-green leaves elliptical in shape
- New leaf growth flush green
- Narrow to ovate growth habit

Magnolia “Little Gem”
*Magnolia grandiflora ‘Little Gem’*
- Native evergreen tree reaching 30’
- Glossy dark-green leaves with cinnamon underside
- Dwarf upright form of Magnolia
- Large attractive, creamy white, fragrant flowers
- Matures into a pyramidal canopy

Magnolia “Blanchard”
*Magnolia grandiflora ‘Blanchard’*
- Native evergreen tree reaching 30’
- Glossy dark-green leaves with cinnamon underside
- Dwarf upright form of Magnolia
- Large attractive, creamy white, fragrant flowers
- Matures into a columnar canopy

Live Oak
*Quercus virginiana*
- Native, large semi-evergreen shade tree reaching 40-50’
- Medium-fine texture foliage
- Deeply furrowed bark
- Tolerates urban conditions and moderate soil compaction
- Large spreading canopy

Indian Tamarind
*Tamarindus indica*
- Large semi-evergreen tree reaching 40’
- Bark is brownish-gray, furrowed, and flaking with age
- Fine textured foliage
- Small, yellow and red flowers produces edible fruit

Gumbo Limbo
*Bursera simaruba*
- Native, drought-deciduous tree reaching 30’-40’
- Reddish-brown, peeling, papery bark
- Glossy green leaves

Cypress
*Taxodium distichum*
- Large deciduous conifer reaching up to 50’
- Fine-textured foliage
- Base of trunk is often flared or buttressed
- Best for wet areas
- Matures into a pyramidal canopy
Small Trees

Requirements:
■ Florida Grade #1 or better
■ 14’ Overall Height
■ 4’-5’ Spread
■ 3.5’-4’ Clear Trunk
■ 1.5”-2” Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)

Jamaican Caper
*Capparis cynophallophora*
■ Small native evergreen tree reaching up to 15’
■ Reddish-brown bark
■ Leaves are oval, green, leathery, and rusty-gray underneath
■ Fragrant white flowers in a brush-like form with slender fruit pods

Lignum-vitae
*Guaiacum sanctum*
■ Native evergreen tree reaching 15’
■ Rated as one of the most outstanding trees in the world
■ Fine textured glossy green leaves
■ Very rare blue flowers with orange-yellow fruit
■ Butterfly attractor

Verawood
*Bulnesia arborea*
■ Evergreen flowering tree reaching 30’
■ Buttery-yellow flowers
■ Dark green, fine textured leaves leaves
■ Fine textured foliage
■ Summer-fall flowering

Black Ironwood
*Krugiodendron ferreum*
■ Native evergreen tree reaching 20’-25’
■ Nice narrow crown
■ Medium textured foliage
■ Black edible fruit
■ Strong wood
■ Gray bark with woody ridges

East Palatka Holly
*Ilex x attenuata ‘East Palatka’*
■ Native evergreen tree with pyramidal growth habit that may reach up to 30’
■ Able to grow in a variety of conditions
■ Brilliant red berries
■ Hardy

Crape Myrtle
*Lagerstroemia indica*
■ Deciduous tree reaching 25’
■ Medium-fine textured foliage
■ Showy flowers can be white, pink, red, or purple
■ Bark is smooth brown, showy and peeling in patches
■ Tree may be found as standards or multi-stemmed

Simpson Stopper
*Myrcianthes fragrans*
■ Native, small evergreen tree reaching up to 20’
■ Reddish peeling bark
■ Glossy foliage
■ Year-round small, fragrant, white flowers producing orange fruit
■ Light to heavy flushes of flowers following rain after dry spells
■ Hardy and easy to grow
Small Leaf Pitch Apple  
*Clusia guttifera*
- Broad-leafed evergreen tree reaching 25’
- Dry or wet areas
- Hardy, thrives in a variety of conditions
- Compact form with small leaves

Japanese Fern Tree  
*Filicium decipiens*
- Evergreen tree reaching up to 25’
- Leaves resemble ferns
- Fine to medium textured foliage
- Grows easily in any soil
- Dense foliage

Willow Bustic  
*Sideroxylon salicifolium*
- Native evergreen tree reaching 25-30’
- Dark-green glossy leaves and a narrow upright crown
- Dense clusters of white flowers around stems producing reddish-black fruit
- Easily grown, resilient tree with distinctive appearance

White Geiger  
*Cordia boissieri*
- Evergreen tree reaching up to 20’
- White trumpet shaped flowers year-round producing olive-like fruits
- Silvery green leaves have a velvety texture
- Butterfly attractor

Bismarck  
*Bismarckia nobilis*
- Large bluish-gray solitaire palm reaching well above 30’
- Lends a formal note
- Visual impact
- Allow space for growth of palm-shaped fronds

Coconut  
*Cocos nucifera (many varieties)*
- Assorted varieties reaching 50’
- Dwarf forms available
- Recommend using varieties certified to be less susceptible to Lethal Yellowing Disease
- Recommend removing coconuts prior to storm events
- Allow space for frond growth

Chinese Fan  
*Livistona chinensis*
- Attractive palm mostly reaching 25’
- Solitary brown trunk
- Interesting fronds resemble a fountain
- Dwarf variety available
- Appearance similar to Washington palm, but much smaller

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**Palm Trees**

**Requirements:**
- Florida Grade #1 or better
- 15’-20’ Overall Height
- 5’-7’ Clear Trunk or Greywood
Native palm reaching 50’–80’
Very popular palm due to its majestic appearance
Unique cement-like gray trunk
Emphasizes structure and form
Allow space for growth of fronds

Large stately solitaire palm reaching 50’
Orange-yellow date-like clusters of ornamental fruit
Requires well-drained soils
Allow space for frond growth

Large solitaire palm reaching up to 50’
Single trunk with diamond-shaped scars
Cluster of dates
Requires well-drained soils
Allow space for frond growth

Small native fan palm reaching 20’
Solitary trunk
Incredibly tough palm for harsh environments
Contrasts well with other trees and shrubs

Attractive solitaire palm reaching up to 35’
Solitary trunk, slender and swollen at the base
Leaves are slightly arcing
Robust and fast growing
Adapts well to most situations

Attractive solitaire palm reaching up to 40’
Solitary trunk, slender and swollen at the base
Widely adaptable
Pale green crown shaft
Needs well-drained soils

Attractive solitaire palm reaching up to 30’
Fronds resemble the tail of a fox
Solitary trunk, slender and swollen at the base
Grey trunk with green crown shaft