

# Central Park Tree Guide

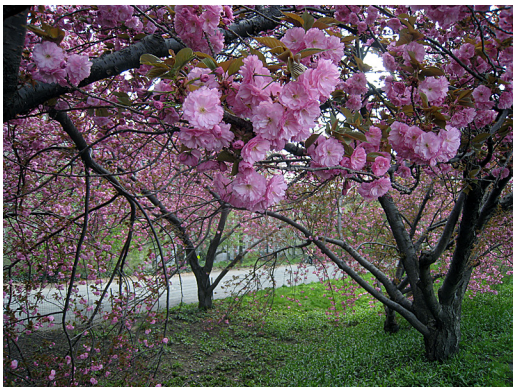
A selection of some of the most commonly seen tree species found near the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Reservoir



**Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)** Alternate, simple leaves with many fine teeth; fruit ripens to dark purple in summer; irregular crown; bark is dark gray and flakes off in scales revealing orange beneath.



**Turkey Oak (*Quercus cerris*)** Alternate, simple leaves with shallow sinuses and several blunt lobes; acorns are 1" long, shiny brown, with shaggy caps; attractive dark gray bark broken into dense wrinkles and raised plates.



**Kwanzan Cherry (*Prunus serrulata* 'Kwanzan')** Alternate, simple leaves with many fine teeth, tapering to a slender tip; flowers range from white to deep pink and may have single or double petals, bark on young trees is a smooth, shiny gray with horizontal lenticels, turning rough with age.



**London Planetree (*Platanus x acerifolia*)** Alternate, simple leaves with pointed lobes; fruit is a 1" diameter ball of compact, dry fruit seeds; exfoliating bark in shades of pale olive, brown, ochre, and gray reveals lighter bark beneath.



**Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*)** Alternate, simple, 5-7 sharply lobed leaves with deep, wide sinuses; acorn is small, brown with a saucer-like cap; bark is finely fissured.



**Yoshino Cherry (*Prunus x yedoensis*)** Alternate, simple leaves with many fine teeth, turning bronze-yellow in fall; masses of pale pink to white 5-petaled flowers emerge in early spring.





### Goldenrain tree

*(Koeleruteria paniculata)*

Alternate, compound, pinnate leaves with 7-15 coarsely toothed leaflets; fruit is a papery 3-valved capsule; showy yellow flowers.



### Horsechestnut (*Aesculus hippocastanum*)

Opposite, compound, palmate leaves; fruit has a spiny husk surrounding one or two nuts; very showy white spring flowers.



### American Elm

*(Ulmus americana)*

Alternate, simple, double-toothed leaves; fruit is a notched samara fringed with hairs; typically vase-shaped crown with many upright undulating limbs.



### English Elm (*Ulmus procera*)

Alternate, simple leaves, edged with curved teeth; fruit is a smooth-edged samara; large, horizontal limbs; bark is finely fissured and broken into rectangular plates.



### Norway Maple

*(Acer platanoides)*

Opposite, simple, sharply pointed 5-lobed leaves turning bright yellow in fall; fruit is a samara with horizontally spreading wings; gray bark has long, shallow furrows.



### Sycamore Maple

*(Acer pseudoplatanus)*

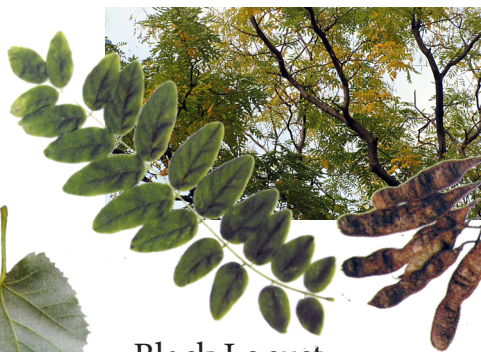
Opposite, simple, 3 to 5-lobed leaves turning yellow in fall; fruit is a samara with wings angled downward; flaky grayish tan bark with orange inner bark.



### European Linden

*(Tilia x europaea)*

Alternate, simple, heart-shaped leaves with fine teeth; fragrant yellowish flowers emerge in early June and are borne on leaf-like bracts; small nut-like fruits in summer.



### Black Locust

*(Robinia pseudoacacia)*

Alternate, compound, pinnate leaves; fruit is a flat, brown seed pod. Deeply furrowed bark.