

**UNSUITABLE TREES**  
For the Public Right-of-Way

The trees listed below are not recommended in Durango because of one or more of the following undesirable characteristics: **Prolific seed production, invasive habits, fruit, pods, thorn bearing, weak limbs and/or structure and insect and disease problems.**

**Russian Olive**

Elaeagnus angustifolia (see picture below)

*This species is listed for eradication.*

**Tamarix (Salt Cedar or Tamarisk)**

Tamarix ramosissima (see picture below)

*This species is listed for eradication.*

**Siberian Elm**

Ulmus pumila

**Boxelder**

Acer negundo  
(Except Sensation  
Boxelder)

**Crabapple (malus)**

All varieties (Except  
Spring Snow  
Crabapple)

**Evergreens**

Spruce, Pine and Fir  
varieties

**Aspen**

Populus tremuloides

**Cottonwood (populus)**

All varieties

**Willow (Salix)**

All varieties

**Autumn Blaze Maple**

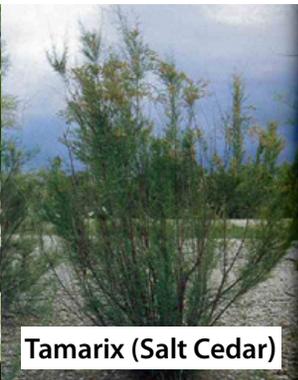
Acer x freemani

**Green & White Ash**

Fraaxinus pennsylvanica & americana



Russian Olive



Tamarix (Salt Cedar)

**ARBOR DAY**



Durango celebrates Arbor Day every year on the last Friday in April at 10 a.m.

The celebration includes attendance by Durango elementary schools and the distribution

of ice cream and trees following the ceremony. Arbor Day is sponsored by Durango Parks and Recreation Department and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

**TREE CITY USA**

Thanks to the support of the citizens of Durango, the City has been recognized as a Tree City USA since 1980. The City also has received the Growth Award since 1993. The City strives to minimize damage to trees



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during construction projects, landscape review with the Planning and Community Development Department and the Christmas Tree Recycling Programs have contributed to the annual Growth Award.

**City of Durango**

**Urban Forest Planting Program**



Participate in the Tree Cost Share Program to benefit the City's urban forest



**City Council**  
Mayor Sweetie Marbury  
Dick White, Christina Rinderle  
Dean Brookie and Keith Brant

**City Manager - Ron LeBlanc**

# Durango Urban Forestry

The Forestry Division of the City of Durango Parks and Recreation Department maintains approximately 8,580 urban trees and regularly plants adaptable trees to promote a diverse and healthy urban forest.

## TREE COST SHARE PROGRAM

The City of Durango has developed a Tree Cost Share Program to assist homeowners in planting trees on their property in the public right-of-way. The planting sites are typically located between the sidewalk and the curb of the street. This program was developed to increase Durango's urban forest, improve the environment and to beautify the streets of the City.

The program pays half the cost to purchase and plant the tree. The City prunes the tree and the homeowner is responsible for watering the tree and maintaining the ground cover in the right-of-way.

- \* The standard shade or ornamental tree is 2" caliper or 2" in diameter measured 6" above the root ball.
- \* The average cost to the homeowner is approximately \$200 per tree. This amount includes the cost to purchase the tree and the labor to plant it. The homeowner assists in the selection of the tree with the City Arborist.
- \* To participate in the Tree Cost Share Program, the homeowner will need to contact the City Arborist by October 30 to ensure a spot on the following spring planting list.

- \* Planting season starts April 1 and runs through June 30 every year. All inquiries after June 30 will be carried over to the following year.



## URBAN FOREST TREE INVENTORY

The City of Durango Parks and Recreation Department has an up-to-date urban forest tree inventory of all City-owned and managed trees.

For the Tree Inventory PDF, please visit:  
<http://www.durangogov.org/index.aspx?NID=562>  
Select the **Urban Forest Tree Inventory** link on the page



## TREE & SHRUB GUIDE

The Durango Tree & Shrub Guide offers information on ideal plantings for Durango and the Tree and Shrub Ordinance, Landscaping Regulations, tree planting, tree pruning and maintenance, a U.S.D.A. Hardiness Zone Map, attributes and information on evergreen trees, deciduous shade and ornamental trees and shrubs.



View the City of Durango's comprehensive Tree & Shrub Guide at: <http://issuu.com/durangoparksrecreation/docs/treeguide>



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