

SPRING 2023 NATIVE SEEDLING SALE



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Sale runs January 31 - March 30

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Note From the Executive Director:

We have a lot to look forward to in the springtime in northern Michigan: the sweet steam rising from local sugar shacks, buds bursting on the trees, carpets of spring ephemeral wildflowers, and eventually, the first bite of a wild strawberry. I'll admit I'm biased, but I have another favorite spring pastime – planting trees and sowing native seeds for wildlife and wild people to enjoy for generations to come. The mild spring weather in northern Michigan makes for ideal planting conditions, providing these precious seedlings their best chance for survival.

We are proud to once again work with the Assisted Tree Range Expansion Project, which carefully reviews the species most likely to expand their native range to northern Michigan and helps them get an early foothold. Climate scientists are telling us that wildlife corridors will be critical for native species to make their northward migration for survival, and

Benzie County's intact forests, pristine lakes, and meandering streams will provide those corridors on public and private land alike. Thank you for choosing to make a difference.

We have selected a variety of species native to our region that provide a myriad of benefits to the health of our soil, pollinators, and ecosystems. Together, we can have a profound impact on the health of our treasured natural resources.

Thank you for participating in our native Spring Seedling Sale. As your partner in conservation, we are happy to help select species appropriate for your site, recommend available funding programs, and teach you how to plant your seedlings. More than any of my favorite spring rituals, I look forward to meeting you at our Spring Seedling Sale!

— Jonathan Throop

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Assisted Tree Range Expansion Project

SYCAMORE (*Platanus occidentalis*)

Height: up to 120'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: moist, nutrient-rich; full sun.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

This massive tree provides cover and nesting sites for birds and other wildlife. Bark is uniquely camouflage-like, and fruit resembles ornaments in the wintertime.

Photo by Rebecca Weller, 2012



SASSAFRAS (*Sassafras albidum*)

Height: 30 to 60'

Rate of growth: medium to fast

Soils: Moist, acidic, well-drained soils; full sun to partial shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 12-24"

The sassafras is known for its brilliant display of autumn foliage and aromatic smell. The leaves have a unique mitten (right- and left-handed) or three-lobe shape. The dark blue fruit is loved by fall birds. Roots and bark were used as a spring tonic.



SWAMP WHITE OAK (*Quercus bicolor*)

Height: 50' to 60'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: acidic, drought-tolerant, wet; full sun

Size: bareroot seedlings are 12-24"

Grows wild in low-lying, swampy areas—bottomlands or river banks. But also grows in urban or suburban settings, with tolerance to compacted soil and drought.



SHAGBARK HICKORY (*Carya ovata*)

Height: 60' to 80'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: Moist, well-drained soils; full to partial sun

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Gray bark exfoliates in long flat plates giving the tree a shaggy appearance and year-round appeal. Fall color is golden brown. Nut has a thick four-sectioned husk. Attractive to birds and small mammals.



ATREP: a Regional Response to Climate Change

The Assisted Tree Range Expansion Project (ATREP) is a response to ongoing and impending effects of climate change felt in our region.

Simply defined, assisted tree range expansion is “the human assisted movement of species to areas just outside their established range in response to facilitating or mimicking natural range expansion.”

The ATREP trees in this year’s sale reach their upper limits in southern to middle lower Michigan. As the climate warms and weather patterns change, these trees are predicted to thrive in our region. By establishing these species now, you can help to:

- increase ecosystem diversity
- offset widespread tree die-offs
- improve the resilience of future forests

As an ongoing community-science project, ATREP requests simple measurements to be reported online at www.atrep.net. The findings from this short- and long-term research are extremely beneficial for the success of this program. Thank you!

TULIPTREE (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)

Height: 70' to 90'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: prefers moist, well-drained soil; full sun

Size: bareroot seedlings are 12-24"

Member of magnolia family. Golden yellow fall color. Stems are aromatic. Greenish-yellow flowers yield lots of nectar, attracting hummingbirds. Produces alternating leaves that have distinctive lobes, resembling tulips.



Hardwoods

NORTHERN RED OAK (*Quercus rubra*)

Height: 50' to 70'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: all soils; tolerant of drought

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Long-lived, great source for hardwood lumber. Excellent shade tree; leaves are reddish-purple in fall. Acorns preferred by variety of birds and mammals; also good for cover and nesting sites.



SUGAR MAPLE (*Acer saccharum*)

Height: 80' to 120'

Rate of growth: slow

Soils: all soils; full sun, no shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Sugar maple is widely used for commercial syrup production and candies, as its sap has twice the sugar content of other maple species. Planted as an ornamental or shade tree; brilliant fall colors.



WHITE OAK (*Quercus alba*)

Height: 50' to 80'

Rate of growth: slow to medium

Soils: various soils; full sun/partial shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Wildlife love sweet, white oak acorns. Water and rot resistant; used for wine barrels, flooring, lumber. Excellent shade tree; red-to-purplish fall colors.



WHITE BIRCH (*Betula papyrifera*)

Height: 50' to 70'

Rate of growth: med to fast

Soils: various soils; full sun/partial shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

"Paper birch," often a landscape tree. Birds and mammals eat the buds and seeds. Helps reduce erosion, protect aquatic environments, increase biodiversity.



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Don't have time to plant your bare-root seedlings right away?

Store wrapped seedlings in a cool, moist, shaded place for up to 48 hours.

Do not saturate.

After 48 hours, the seedlings should be heeled in for temporary protection. See figures 1 and 2 for guidance.



Heeling in, Figure 1

BALSAM FIR (*Abies balsamea*)

Height: 45' to 65'

Rate of growth: med to slow

Soils: prefers moist, well-drained acidic soil

Size: bareroot seedlings are 5-10"
Aromatic tree with strong, soft needles. Popular uses include yard and Christmas trees. Plant in sun to partial shade for color and cover in northern hardwoods.



RED PINE (*Pinus resinosa*)

Height: 60' to 80'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: sandy, well-drained soils; full sun, shade intolerant

Size: bareroot seedlings are 4-8"
Perfect for most of Benzie County! Straight, tall stems create natural fence or windbreak. Extremely cold tolerant. Plant a red pine plantation as an investment.



NORTHERN WHITE CEDAR (*Thuja occidentalis*)

Height: 30' to 50'

Rate of growth: slow

Soils: cool, moist, nutrient-rich soils; partial sun and shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 3-6"
Can grow in swamps, but likes well-drained, slightly alkaline soils. Good for hedges and windbreaks. Browsed by deer; offers cover and nesting for birds.



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WHITE PINE (*Pinus strobus*)

Height: 80' to 150'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: light, sandy to heavy soils; full sun and partial shade.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 4-8"
Michigan's state tree. Soft, five-needle bunches; welcomes variety of songbirds and wildlife. Provides privacy and wind protection.



WHITE SPRUCE (*Picea glauca*)

Height: 60' to 75'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: tolerant of most soils; full sun

Size: bareroot seedlings are 4-8"
Christmas-tree shape compliments the yard, good for windbreak and wildlife habitat. Wood used for pulp and lumber.



How to temporarily heel-in seedlings:

1. Dig a trench to accommodate roots
2. Unbundle the seedlings
3. Space the seedlings out in the trench
4. Cover the roots with soil
5. Water the roots to keep them moist



Heeling in, Figure 2

Wildlife Trees & Shrubs

ALLEGHENY SERVICEBERRY (*Amelanchier laevis*)

Height: 15' to 25'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: Moist, well-drained soil; partial sun/shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
Small, understory tree with four-season interest. It has early spring flowers, orange-red fall color, and gray bark. The edible purplish-black fruit in late summer attracts birds.



EASTERN REDBUD (*Cercis canadensis*)

Height: 25' to 35'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: well-drained soils; adaptable; full sun to light shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
Showy lavender to pink flowers in spring. Ornamental lawn tree for smaller yards. The seeds provide winter food for birds; blossoms attract pollinators.



AMERICAN HAZELNUT (*Corylus americana*)

Height: 15' to 18'

Rate of growth: medium to fast

Soils: various soils; full sun to partial shade

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
Ornamental tree with sweet, edible nuts (filberts). Plant two trees for pollination. Attracts wide variety of wildlife. Provides food, cover and nesting sites.



HIGHBUSH CRANBERRY (*Viburnum trilobum*)

Height: 6' to 15'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: moist, but adaptable to dryer & sunny sites; hardy if established

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
White flowers, red groups of berries. Persists through winter. Food source to wildlife and early spring birds such as cedar waxwings, turkey & grouse.



BLACK ELDERBERRY (*Sambucus nigra*)

Height: 10' to 12'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: Likes moist, well-drained soil; full sun; drought intolerant.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
White, fragrant flowers. Berries small, purple-black color. Relished by songbirds and wildlife. Shrub for erosion control; berries used in wines, jams, juice.



NINEBARK (*Physocarpus opulifolius*)

Height: 6' to 9'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: wide variety of soil types; full sun/part shade.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"
White flower clusters in summer; fruit pods in fall. Great nectar source; fruits eaten by several birds. The bark continually molts in thin strips, each time exposes a new layer of bark, as if it had "nine lives."





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PERSIMMONS (*Diospyros virginiana*)

Height: 35' to 40'

Rate of growth: slow

Soils: moist, sandy, and well-drained soils; thrives in full sun

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Nice ornamental; leaves turn yellow to red in fall. Fruit can be used in puddings and baking; also provides nectar for pollinators, and food for a wide variety of wildlife.



WHITE FLOWERING DOGWOOD (*Cornus florida*)

Height: 10' to 25'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: Likes moist, well-drained soil; full sun to partial shade.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 12-24"

Showy blossoms and attractive fall foliage. Many birds varieties and upland game birds (e.g. wild turkey) consume the seeds. Also provides shelter and habitat for wildlife species.



WINTERBERRY (*Ilex verticillata*)

Height: 8' to 12'

Rate of growth: slow

Soils: wetlands to drier soils; full sun to partial shade.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Attractive bright red fruit eaten by small mammals and more than 48 species of birds. Plant male/female for pollination. Warning: poisonous to humans. Very popular for landscaping. Good for stabilizing hills.



RED OSIER DOGWOOD (*Cornus sericea*)

Height: 6' to 10'

Rate of growth: medium to fast

Soils: prefers wetland, streams & ponds; full sun to light shade.

Size: bareroot seedlings are 6-12"

Often called red willow. White flowers and berries; bark and leaves red in autumn. Soil stabilizer, landscape border. Attracts turkey, ruffed grouse, bobwhite, pheasant.



Essential Considerations for Choosing your Trees

Build a more durable landscape by balancing your trees' needs with your property's traits.

☑ Adequate sunlight

Is your planting location usually sunny or shady? A bit of both?

☑ Soil characteristics

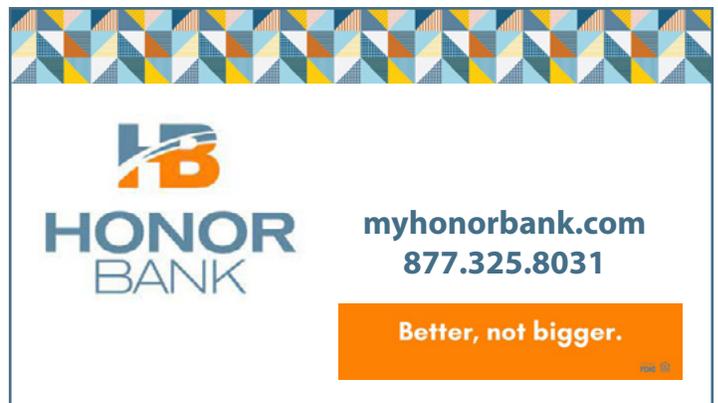
Is your soil moist or well-drained? Are you planting on a wetland or near a body of water?

☑ Room to grow

As your seedlings age, will they have the space to grow upwards and outwards?

Be sure to check the descriptions in our catalog for details on each seedling species. The following resources can also help you find more info about matching trees to your landscape:

- USDA Plants Database (plants.usda.gov)
- Climate Change Field Guide for Northern Michigan Forests (forestadaptation.org)



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BIG BLUESTEM (*Andropogon gerardii*)

Height: 6' to 8'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: medium to well drained soils; adaptable

Coverage: 1 ounce covers 200 sq ft
Attracts butterflies; deer resistant; acts as claybuster. In late summer produces three-parted seed heads. The green leaves & stems change to reddish-copper in winter. Top choice for erosion control.



BEACH GRASS (*Ammophila breviligulata*)

Height: 2' to 3'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: sandy soil

Coverage: depends on planting grid
Natural erosion control. Grass forms a dense cover in sandy areas. Plant 6"- 8" deep, one stem per hole in a 12" up to 18" square grid, depending on flatland or slopes. 100 plugs per bundle or bunch. Keep roots moist before planting.



LITTLE BLUESTEM (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)

Height: 1' to 3'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: from sandy to clay-loam

Coverage: 1 ounce covers 200 sq ft
Wonderful for a border or dry garden; great erosion control. Foliage is soft, textured, and green or bluish, turning orange in autumn. Flowering plumes grow in clumps. Excellent nesting/roosting site.



ECO-TURF GRASS SEED MIX

Height: 4" to 6"

Rate of growth: slow

Soils: loam/sand/gravel and well drained clay; full sun/partial shade.

Coverage: 1 pound covers 200 sq ft
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INDIAN GRASS SEED (*Sorghastrum nutans*)

Height: 5' to 7'

Rate of growth: medium

Soils: sandy to clay-loam; adaptable

Coverage: 1 ounce covers 200 sq ft
Birds love the golden seedheads in autumn. Also great winter interest. Can tolerate wet to dry soils from sand to clay. Plant with Little Bluestem for a fabulous fall combination and landscape backdrop. Full sun.



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Height: varies

Rate of growth: med to fast

Soils: formulated for sandy soils

Coverage: 4 oz. covers 500 sq ft
Attracts pollinators: bees, wasps, butterflies, moths, and beetles. Includes 10 native wildflowers. Plant in proportion to grass mix for better stability on cleared ground; keep moist for germination.



COMMON MILKWEED (*Asclepias syriaca*)

Height: 2' to 5'

Rate of growth: fast

Soils: sandy, clay, or rocky calcareous soils

Coverage: Approx 150 seeds/gram
Common variety produces profusion of lavender flowers in mid-summer and is mandatory food source for Monarch caterpillars who feast on the leaves. Can be toxic if ingested.





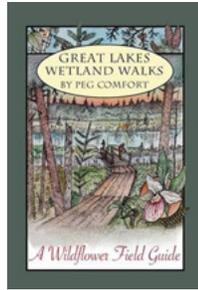
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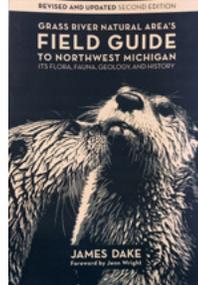
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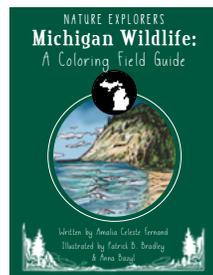
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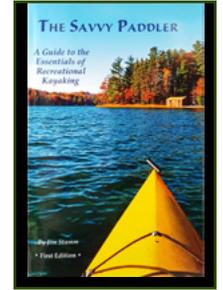
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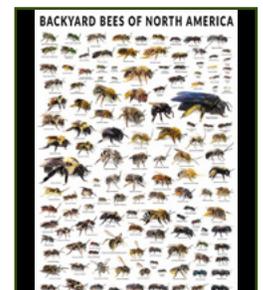
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There are many ways you can make an impact with us to *preserve and enhance the natural resources of Benzie County*. Some of these include: native species plantings, attending or volunteering at a BCD event, talk with your neighbors and friends about conservation measures or consider a charitable donation. Even a gift of \$50 can support our ability to host planting workshops, prepare curriculum to teach children about habitat, or guide participants on an informative farm tour.



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