Lasting Esplanade Arbor Fund

In fall 2019, we planted the first 20 trees of our Lasting Esplanade Arbor Fund (L.E.A.F.) project. These are only 20 of the several hundred trees that the Esplanade Association will plant as part of the L.E.A.F. project, which will include several plantings in spring 2020. Together, we’re doing all we can to build a healthy tree canopy that will protect this land, shelter wildlife, and provide shade and fresh air for generations to come!

These tree-planting efforts are made possible by the Esplanade Association in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, and a host of L.E.A.F. donors and organizations!

You can learn more about the L.E.A.F. project by visiting Esplanade.org/Trees.

American Sweetgum Liquidambar styraciflua
The American Sweetgum is well-known for its deep, glossy green star-shaped leaves that turn yellow, purple, and red during the fall and stay on the tree deep into the season.

Black Tupelo ‘Wildfire’ Nyssa sylvatica ‘Wildfire’
The Black Tupelo Wildfire’s dark green and glossy leaves turn into a mesmerizing display of fall foliage with a variety of yellow, bright red, orange, and purple during the fall.

Eastern Redbud ‘Forest Pansy’ Cercis canadensis ‘Forest Pansy’
The Forest Pansy is notable for its pea-like purple flowers that bloom during early spring. In autumn, its red and purple leaves change to dark green, then to yellow.

Green Hawthorn Crataegus viridis ‘Winter King’
Winter King is a flowering tree is notable for its copious white blooms during the springtime and its dark green and glossy leaves that turn red and purple during the fall.

Red Maple ‘October Glory’ Acer rubrum ‘October Glory’
October Glory is a very popular and fast-growing cultivar of the Red Maple. During the spring and summer it presents beautiful, dark green and glistening leaves that transform into radiant red leaves in late fall.

Red Sunset Maple Acer rubrum ‘Franksred’
Red Sunset is a cultivar of the Red Maple with strong branch structure and vibrant orange and red-colored leaves during the fall. In spring and summer, the Red Sunset’s leaves are a glossy green.

Shadblow ‘Rainbow Pillar’ Amelanchier canadensis ‘Rainbow Pillar’
The Shadblow’s slightly aromatic white blooms appear in clusters before dark green leaves emerge in spring. These leaves change to shades of orange and red during the fall.

White Oak Quercus alba
The White Oak is known for its light, ashy gray bark and transition in leaves from season to season. The White Oak’s leaves transition from a dark green to blue-green shade in the summer, and then to an orange-red variety during the fall.

Yoshino Cherry Prunus x yedoensis
The Yoshino Cherry’s almond scented blossoms open from pink to white in the springtime and fill the trees with blooms before the leaves unfurl.

Taiwan Cherry Prunus ‘Okame’
The Taiwan Cherry is notable for its 5-petaled rosy pink flowers, colorful foliage, and blooming earlier than other cherries.

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*Trees in circles are available for selection.