

Keep Pearland Beautiful
Tree Seedling Give Away
January 14, 2012
9AM-1PM

**A tree planting and pruning
demo at 10AM**

Pearland Community Center
3523 Liberty Dr
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Common Name: Southern Catalpa (Catawba)

Latin Name: *Catalpa bignonioides*

Tree Size: Large

Leaf Type: Deciduous

Growth Rate: Rapid

Water Needs: Moderate

Tolerances: Drought, alkaline soils (pH > 7.5)

Attributes: showy or fragrant flower, attractive seeds or fruit

Features: Showy white to purple flowers in spring and early summer produce long slender fruits.

Comments: Tough tree for open areas away from walkways; catalpa worms are a prized fish bait.

Problems: Leaves may scorch during hot, dry periods; flowers, leaves, and fruit can be messy.



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Common Name: Eastern Redcedar

Latin Name: *Juniperus virginiana*

Tree Size: Medium

Leaf Type: Evergreen

Growth Rate: Rapid

Water Needs: Moderate

Tolerances: Salty soil or sea-spray, drought, alkaline soils (pH > 7.5)

Attributes: Texas native, seeds or fruit eaten by wildlife

Features: Birds eat the blue berries; bark is fibrous and shredding.

Comments: Often used as a windbreak. 'Canaertii' is a cultivar used as a specimen tree.

Problems: Can be invasive; males produce lots of pollen.



Common Name: Texas Persimmon (Chapote)

Latin Name: *Diospyros texana*

Tree Size: Small

Leaf Type: Deciduous

Growth Rate: Slow

Water Needs: Dry

Tolerances: Drought, alkaline soils (pH > 7.5)

Attributes: Texas native, attractive seeds or fruit, seeds or fruit eaten by wildlife

Features: Fragrant flowers, smooth gray bark, and dark edible fruits.

Comments: Drought-tolerant native with attractive exfoliating bark.

Problems: Thin bark is easily damaged.





Common Name: Waxmyrtle (Southern Bayberry)

Latin Name: *Myrica cerifera*

Tree Size: Small

Leaf Type: Evergreen

Growth Rate: Rapid

Water Needs: Moderate

Tolerances: Partial to heavy shade, salty soil or sea-spray, drought, poorly drained sites, alkaline soils (pH > 7.5)

Attributes: Texas native, attractive seeds or fruit, seeds or fruit eaten by wildlife

Features: Aromatic, pale green leaves and small bluish berries.

Comments: Easily adapted to confined spaces; good for coastal landscapes.

Problems: Naturally shrubby; needs pruning to develop one or more trunks.



Spicebush, Common Spicebush, Benjamin-bush,
Wild Allspice, Feverbush, Snapbush, Spice-wood
Lindera benzoin (Benzoin aestivale)

Plant Habit or Use: medium shrub, large shrub, small
tree

Exposure: partial sun to shade

Flower Color: yellow, green

Blooming Period:

Fruit Characteristics: bright red or scarlet drupe

Height: 6 to 12 feet; rarely to 20 feet

Width: 6 to 12 feet

Plant Character: deciduous

Heat Tolerance: high, but likes moisture, good for creek
bottoms and wetlands

Soil Requirements: acid neutral alkaline