



# GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARD®

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## Top 5 Urban Tolerant Trees



***Aesculus pavia* (Red Buckeye)** is a native Buckeye that blooms in May with red to coral panicles 3"-6" long. With no pest or disease problems, this species is far more resistant to leaf scorch than other *Aesculus*. Growing to 20' with a 30' spread, this is a great tree for the urban landscape and residential gardens. Plant in full sun and moist, well-drained soil. Hardy in zones 4 to 8.



***Crataegus viridis* 'Winter King' (Green Hawthorn)** is resistant to cedar-apple rust and air pollution and tolerates heavy pruning. Masses of white flowers cover the tree each spring, followed in fall by orange-red berries that are larger than those of the species. A great "native" asset to any winter landscape! 'Winter King' grows to 30' and attains a rounded habit with age. Plant it in full sun; prune during the late winter. It's Urban tolerant, withstands a broad range of soil types and is hardy in zones 4 to 7.



***Juniperus virginiana* 'Corcorcor' Emerald Sentinel™ (Eastern Redcedar)** is a native juniper that is one of the toughest plants available. Emerald Sentinel™ has a dark-green needle and is well suited for a tall screen, hedge, or specimen tree. It has an upright habit, growing 25' H x 8' W. Pest resistant and tolerant of extreme climatic and soil conditions, it is also a favorite of small songbirds. Hardy in zones 3b to 9.



***Maackia amurensis* 'Starburst' (Amur Maackia)** A small deciduous tree with clean, exotic, rich-green leaves and reptilian-like ornamental bark on younger trees; this urban-tolerant diehard has a nice display of spiky white flowers in mid to late summer. 'Starburst' is denser and more uniform and vigorous than the species. Great for small gardens and city plantings, the Amur Maackia is tolerant of poor soil and pollution. It will tolerate part sun but prefers full sun. It reaches 30' H x 25' W. Hardy in zones 4 to 8.



***Syringa reticulata* 'Ivory Silk' (Japanese Tree Lilac)** blooms reliably in midsummer with large creamy-white panicles. Flowering begins at a young age on this sturdy, compact tree, which grows to 20' with a 12' spread in 15 years. It is drought-resistant; no pest or disease problems have been reported in the Gold Medal region. This is a great urban street tree. Hardy in zones 3 through 7.

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