

# Checklist of the Native Trees of Sligo Creek Park

common name . . . . abundance/locations

**ABUNDANCE:** C=common FC=fairly common U=uncommon R=rare VR=very rare

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## LOCATIONS

A = all of Sligo from East-West Hwy through Kemp Mill

1 = East-West Hwy to New Hampshire (NH) Ave

1C = East-West thru Pepco corridor

1P = Pepco corridor to NH Ave

2 = New Hampshire to Maple Ave

3 = Maple to Piney Branch Rd

4 = Piney Branch to Wayne Ave

5 = Wayne to Colesville Rd (Rt 29)

6 = Colesville to Forest Glen Rd

7 = Forest Glen to Dennis Ave

8 = Dennis to University Blvd

9 = above University (Kemp Mill)

## NOTES

\* can be a tree or shrub

<sup>a</sup> *C. caroliniana*, aka Ironwood, Muscle tree

<sup>b</sup> aka Eastern Chinkapin (Chinquapin)

<sup>c</sup> aka Spanish Oak

<sup>d</sup> aka Serviceberry, Shadbush

<sup>e</sup> aka Shining Sumac

<sup>f</sup> *N. sylvatica*, aka Sour Gum, Tupelo

<sup>g</sup> *V. prunifolium*, aka Smooth Blackhaw

### Cypress Family

Eastern Redcedar . . . . U/1-2,5-9

### Pine Family

Pitch Pine . . . . . R/1C,5,7

Shortleaf/Yellow Pine . . R/6,8,9

Virginia Pine . . . . .FC/1-2, 4-9

Eastern Hemlock . . . . .VR/2

### Willow Family

Black Willow . . . . . U/1,5-9

Big-tooth Aspen . . . . . R/8

East. Cottonwood . . U/1C,2,4,6,9

### Walnut Family

Black Walnut . . . . . FC/A

Bitternut Hickory . . . . . R/1C

Mockernut Hickory . . . . FC/A

Pignut Hickory . . . . .FC/A

### Birch Family

American Hornbeam<sup>a</sup> . . . .FC/A

River Birch . . . . .FC/1,3-7,9

Smooth Alder . . . . .U/3,5-6,8

### Beech Family

American Beech . . . . FC/1-6,8-9

American Chestnut . R/1P,3,5,7-8

Allegheny Chinkapin<sup>b</sup> . VR/1P,8

White Oak . . . . . C/A

Post Oak . . . . .U/1P, 7-9

Swamp White Oak . . . . VR/5

Chinkapin Oak . . . . .VR/7-8

Chestnut Oak . . . . . U/1P-2

Red Oak . . . . . FC/A

Black Oak . . . . . FC/A

Pin Oak . . . . . FC/1,4-9

Scarlet Oak . . . . . FC/1P-9

Southern Red Oak<sup>c</sup> . . . . FC/A

Black-jack Oak . . . . . VR/1P-3

Shingle Oak . . . . . U/3-9

Willow Oak . . . . . FC/1-6,8

### Elm Family

American Elm . . . . . C/A

Hackberry . . . . . U/5-7

### Mulberry Family

Red Mulberry . . . . . R/3,6

### Magnolia Family

Umbrella Magnolia . . . . R/3,8

Tulip Tree . . . . . C/A

### Custard-apple Family

Pawpaw . . . . . U-R/1C,2-3,6,8

### Laurel Family

Sassafras . . . . . C/A

### Witch-Hazel Family

Witch-Hazel\* . . . . . U-FC/1P-5

Sweet Gum . . . . . U/1C,5,7,9

### Plane-tree Family

Sycamore . . . . . C/A

### Rose Family

Downy Juneberry<sup>d</sup> . . U-FC/1P-4,

6-9

Smooth Juneberry<sup>d</sup> . . . . VR/2

Black Cherry . . . . . C/A

### Legume Family

Redbud . . . . . FC/1P,4-8

Black Locust . . . . . C/A

### Cashew Family

Smooth Sumac\* . . . . . R/1P,6

Winged Sumac<sup>e\*</sup> . . . . R/1P,6,9

Staghorn Sumac . . U-R/1P,5-6,8

### Holly Family

American Holly\* . . . . . FC/A

### Maple Family

Red Maple . . . . . C/A

Silver Maple . . . . . FC/A

Box Elder . . . . . C/A

### Sour Gum/Tupelo Family

Black Gum<sup>f</sup> . . . . . FC/A

### Ginseng Family

Hercules-club . . . . . U/1P-2,6-8

### Dogwood Family

Flowering Dogwood . . . . C/A

### Ebony Family

Persimmon . . . . . FC/1-2, 5-9

### Olive Family

White Ash . . . . . FC/A

Green Ash\* . . . . . FC/A

Fringe-tree . . . . . R/1P-2,8-9

### Honeysuckle Family

Black Haw<sup>g\*</sup> . . . . . FC/A

**SOURCE:** Adapted from John Parrish and RG Steinman, *Native Plants of the Sligo Creek Watershed* [Maryland], 2003, at www.fosc.org, under "Plants and Animals."

While hosting an abundance of native trees, Sligo also suffers from the spread of invasive non-native species and ornamental varieties, such as Bradford Pear, Norway Maple, Tree of Heaven, Princess Tree, White Mulberry and Mimosa. Please don't plant them in your yards.

*Checklist produced by the Natural History Committee of the Friends of Sligo Creek. We hope it helps you get better acquainted with the trees around you in*

*the Park. Send feedback to [naturalhistory@fosc.org](mailto:naturalhistory@fosc.org).*

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