

## TREE DESCRIPTIONS

**Sargent Crabapple** grows slowly to 6'-10' tall with a 6'-12' spread that exceeds its height. Profuse clusters of small white fragrant flowers in the spring are followed by 1/3"-1/2" red berries that persist into winter. Birds love the fruit. New leaves are light green, later turning a darker green.

**Gray Dogwood** grows slowly to 10'-15' tall with an equal spread. A dense multi-stemmed shrub with white late spring flowers followed by 1/4" white berries that ripen in late summer or early fall. The leaves are gray-green to dark green in the summer turning to purplish red in the fall. This shrub provides food, cover, and nesting sites for birds and squirrels.

**Washington Hawthorn** grows at a medium rate to 25'-30' tall with a 25' spread. White late spring flowers are followed by 1/4" glossy red fruits that stay onto the tree into winter. Leaves are reddish-purple when emerging, changing to dark green in summer, then to orange, scarlet, or purple in fall. The slender stems have thorns. This tree has a high wildlife value.

**River Birch** grows at a medium fast to 40'-70' tall with a 50' spread. It has cinnamon-colored exfoliating bark and lustrous medium-green leaves in summer turning a soft yellow in the fall. It likes to be near water, but can adapt.

**Canadian Hemlock** grows at a medium rate to 40'-70' with a 25'-35' spread. The glossy dark green foliage may be sheared to any height or shape. It produces 1/2"-1" cones after 15 years. Plant 2' apart for a hedge. This evergreen provides cover and nesting sites. Birds eat the seeds.

4056 – 5 Wildbird Garden



Dear Member:

Thank you for your contribution to the Arbor Day Foundation and sharing our mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees.

Your free trees are my way of saying thanks. A leaf identification key and tree color code chart are on the back of this letter. Complete planting and transplanting instructions are in the enclosed *Tree Planting Guide*. You may contact Member Services if you have any questions about your trees. More complete information about each tree can be found in *The Tree Book* or on the online Tree Guide at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

We want your tree planting experience to be successful. These trees are guaranteed to grow. If they don't, send your name and address and member number, if available, to the above address, and the entire packet of trees will be replaced free. Please enclose \$3.50 for shipping and handling and tell us which package of trees needs to be replaced. You may reach us by calling the toll-free number for Member Services, 1-888-448-7337, or e-mail us at [info@arborday.org](mailto:info@arborday.org).

Best regards,



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## Leaf Identification



Sargent Crabapple



Washington Hawthorn



Canadian Hemlock



Gray Dogwood



River Birch

## COLOR CODE CHART

Five Wildbird Garden  
(Package 4056)

### Tree

### Paint Color (above roots)

1 Sargent Crabapple  
(*Malus sargentii*)

Purple

1 Gray Dogwood  
(*Cornus racemosa*)

Gold

1 Washington Hawthorn  
(*Crataegus phaenopyrum*)

Dark Blue

1 River Birch  
(*Betula nigra*)

Silver

1 Canadian Hemlock  
(*Koelreuteria paniculata*)

White