

Tree Planting Report Summary

Starting Point

The first part of the report has links to the Parks Department Tree Planting website. From there, you can access various information about the program. The report contains excerpts from different parts of the program that you may find relevant.

Questions & Answers

The Q&A section addresses questions and answers to issues of most concern to owners. For example. Who is responsible for sidewalk damage caused by a tree? For the answer, read the report.

The Planting Program

This program is in stages. Three different stages, to be exact; the one that we're involved in now is the Transition Planting stage of the trees (2025-2026)

This time cycle may explain why planting will continue up to December 31, 2025. When this cycle is complete, the nine-year plan begins.

To learn more, see the link here and in the report. These links will take you to the website for the Planting Program.

The Tree Planting Overview

<https://www2.nycgovparks.org/trees/street-tree-planting>

The 9 Year Plan In Detail

<https://www2.nycgovparks.org/trees/street-tree-planting/neighborhood-tree-planting-program>

The Survey Teams

The people you see out there doing surveys. They are doing just that, surveys. Their job is to map out where the utilities are buried.

The fact that they mapped out the locations does not mean that a tree will be planted there.

The different colors indicate the utility service.

The Markings Breakdown

1. Underground gas (yellow),
2. Electric (red),
3. Telecommunication (orange) lines.

The Letter T

The exception is where there is the letter T.

This letter, placed in the area, means the Parks Department has determined that section to be suitable for a tree pit, aka tree bed.

The report delves deeper into the entire program.

Approved Trees

The Parks Department website has a list of approved trees for the Planting Program. There are many trees in the plan. And there is no way to know which ones are coming here.

A copy of the approved trees PDF is attached to the report.

Link Approved Trees <https://www.nycgovparks.org/trees/street-tree-planting/species-list>

Tree Planted Since 2021

Read this section if you are interested in trees installed since 2021.

A review of the Parks Department's Interactive Map shows the trees that have been planted since 2021. Unfortunately, the map is not updated as it should be. I checked the map listings against the actual trees. The results were inconclusive because the tree identification tags were missing.

657 Wyona (the newest tree planted) is the only one with a tag. The interactive map does not show that tree. It shows the tree nearest to that address.

Important Note

There were two trees listed on the map that should not have been planted in this area. It is important to find out if they are indeed gone. See the report for Details. These trees have an asterisk (*) on their titles.

They are:

*Tree: "Metro Gold" Hedge Maple is invasive and no longer planted in North America.

*Tree: "Green Leaf" Japanese Flowering Cherry. This tree is toxic to dogs.

Link to Interactive Map <https://tree-map.nycgovparks.org/tree-map/tree/16313080>

Clicking on the link will take you to Wyona Street. To find a specific tree. Enter the address in the search bar.

Tree Pruning

As a bonus, I checked on the next tree pruning for Wyona Street. Our area is not scheduled for any pruning as of the writing of this report.

To check on pruning for your tree, go to <https://www2.nycgovparks.org/services/forestry/tree-pruning>

There are several ways to access data.

Entering your street address is the most precise method.

Enter the zip or street name to search a broader area.