

# Notable Trees in Belmont 2017

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Trees may be found on or near the streets listed below. Trees must be viewed from streets or sidewalks; please do not go onto private land.

## BEECH STREET

**COPPER BEECH** (*Fagus sylvatica*): at the Belmont Senior Center. This is a tree in mid-growth with a potential height of 100 feet and a width of 60 feet.

**TULIP TREE** (*Liriodendron tulipifera*): at 24 Clover Street, best seen from Blake Street. This is a tall tree with gorgeous spring blooms.

## COMMON STREET

**CHESTNUT OAK TREE** (*Quercus montana*): at *The Commons* at 100 block of Common Street. (visible from the street.) This is a native tree considered to be an important canopy tree.

**KATSURA TREE** (*Cercidiphyllum japonicum*): at 4 Dunbarton Road at Common Street. Believed to be the largest multi-trunked katsura in Massachusetts.

**RIVER BIRCH ALLEE** (*Betula nigra*): at 36 Hillcrest Road. These trees are noted for their beautiful exfoliating bark.

## CONCORD AVENUE

**AMERICAN LINDEN TREE** (*Tilia Americana*): at 1 Stone Road. Also called Basswood, Lime or Whitewood.

**COPPER BEECH TREE** (*Fagus sylvatica*): on Concord Ave. opposite the railroad underpass.

**RUTH IPPEN TREE WALK**: between Clay Pit Pond and Concord Avenue. Here one can see large Elms, Horse Chestnuts, Larches, Lindens, assorted Oaks, Silver Maples, Yellow Birches and many others.

**DAWN REDWOOD** (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*): behind Belmont Public Library, Concord Avenue, right rear corner. This is a large tree with the potential to reach 200 feet in height.

**GINKGO** (*Ginkgo biloba*): at 118 School Street, at the corner of School and Oak Streets—Best viewed from the Oak Street side. An enormous tree that well may be the largest Ginkgo in town, from the former Bellmont Estate.

**KATSURAS** (*Cercidiphyllum japonicum*): at Stone Street is lined on both sides of the street with Katsuras of all sizes from School Street to Concord Avenue.

**WEeping BEECHES** (*Fagus sylvatica* 'Pendula'): Beautiful trees in front of the Beth El Temple.

## CUSHING SQUARE

**BLACK OAK TREE** (*Quercus velutina*): at Pequossette and Oakley Roads, from the former Bellmont Estate.

**COPPER BEECH** (*Fagus sylvatica*): at 4 Pine Street corner of Trapelo Road, from the former Bellmont Estate. This is a tree admired by many people as they pass down Trapelo Road.

**NORWAY MAPLE** (*Acer platanoides*): at the Belmont–Watertown United Methodist Church, 421 Common Street. An enormous, and beautiful tree.

**SHAG BARK HICKORY** (*Carya ovata*): at 5 Benton Road. This is a Common Hickory in the Eastern United States, can grow over 100 feet tall and can live more than 350 years.



## **PLEASANT STREET**

**COPPER BEECH** (*Fagus sylvatica*): on Somerset Street opposite Wellington Lane. We have many beautiful Copper Beeches in Belmont and this may well be the largest. See also the beautiful tree at 75 Fletcher Road.

**DAWN REDWOOD** (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*): at the corner of Pleasant and Winn Streets, across the street from 6 Winn Street.

## **SCHOOL STREET**

**KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE** (*Gymnocladus dioica*): at the corner of School and Bacon Streets. An interesting tree that produces seeds which can be roasted and used as a substitute for coffee beans; however, unroasted pods and seeds are toxic.

**SILVER MAPLE** (*Acer saccharinum*): at 275 Washington Street. The Silver Maple is native to eastern North America and is also called Creek Maple, Silverleaf Maple, Soft Maple, Water Maple, Swamp Maple or White Maple.

## **ADDITIONAL PLACES TO SEE BEAUTIFUL TREES:**

BEAVER BROOK RESERVATION

CLAY PIT POND

MASS AUDUBON/ HABITAT LAND

LONE TREE HILL CONSERVATION LAND

MCLEAN PROPERTY

ROCK MEADOW CONSERVATION LAND

WAVERLY OAKS PARK

MOUNT AUBURN CEMETERY: while not in Belmont, is a premier site for seeing beautiful, exotic and native trees.

If you would like to propose additional trees for this list, please contact the Shade Tree Committee through the Town Clerk's office.

