Notable Trees in Belmont 2023

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 midgrowth 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. One of the largest multi-trunked katsura in Massachusetts.

YELLOW WOOD TREE: (*Cladrastis kentukea*): 21 Common Street. Lovely when blooming in Spring.

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

CONCORD AVENUE

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 oldest Ginko in town.

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 Beech: (*Fagus sylvatica 'Pendula'*): Beautiful tree in front of the Beth El Temple.

CUSHING SQUARE

BLACK OAK: (*Quercus velutina*): at Pequossette and 24 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.

COPPER BEECH: at 418 Common Street, Corners of Payson and Common.

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

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.

DAWN REDWOOD (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*): at the corner of Pleasant and Winn Streets, across the street from 11 Winn Street.

SCHOOL STREET

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.

OTHER TREES AROUND TOWN

SHAG BARK HICKORY: (*Carya ovata*): at 130 Goden Street. This is a Common Hickory in the Eastern United States, can grow over 100 feet tall and can live more than 350 years.

AMERICAN ELMS: (*Ulmus Americana*) there are two, one at 96 Clark Road at the top of Royal Road; the other at 29 Wilson Avenue.

American Beech: (Fagus Grandifolia) at corner of Kilburn and Clark Road.

COPPER BEECH: Center of the Belmont Hill School Rotary on Marsh and Prospect Streets.

OTHER PLACES TO SEE BEAUTIFUL TREES:

BEAVER BROOK RESERVATION: The Waverley Trail leads to a short walk from Waverley Square to Beaver Brook—follow the green line painted on the sidewalk and head west along Trapelo Road. Not only will you see magnificent oaks but there are also signs with the history of the Waverley Oaks along the trail.

CLAY PIT POND

MASS AUDUBON/HABITAT LAND

LONE TREE HILL CONSERVATION LAND

McLean Property

ROCK MEADOW CONSERVATION LAND

WAVERLEY 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.