

URBAN FOREST NURSERY, INC.

SPECIALIZING IN STREET & LANDSCAPE TREES
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NOTEWORTHY IN THE NURSERY...

Spring is right around the corner in Mount Vernon, Washington. With an unbelievably mild winter and recent temperatures in the 50's & 60's, the trees are budding like it's April! The crew has been working on field prep, and is gearing up for a busy planting season. Some of the newer varieties we are currently growing are...

- Rainbow Pillar Serviceberry, *Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Glenn's Upright'*
- Royal Raindrops Flowering Crab, Malus 'Royal Raindrops'
- Ruby Vase Persian Ironwood, Parrotia persica 'Ruby Vase'
- Crimson Spire Oak, Quercus alba x Q. robur 'Crimschmidt'
- Redpointe Red Maple, Acer rubrum 'Frank Jr.'
- Snow Goose Flowering Cherry, Prunus 'Snow Goose'
- Globehead European Ash, Fraxinus excelcior 'Globosa'

And some other great varieties that are hard to find...

- Sourgum, Nyssa sylvatica
- Scarlet Oak, Quercus coccinia
- Yellowood, Cladrastis kentuckea

We have also been putting the finishing touches on a much needed new barn for our equipment and expanded office space for our employees. We are very excited about this new space and hoping to move in soon! As always, we encourage our customers to come tour the nursery, so feel free to call or email if you are interested in setting up an appointment. We take great pride in the nursery stock we grow and look forward to your comments, guestions, or inquiries.

WHAT'S HOT RIGHT NOW...

Besides the weather??....

Our **grow bags**! The first time around, planting trees in grow bags can seem awkward, but once you get the hang of it, there are many reasons to make the switch! We often hear from contractors that they only want to use grow bags due to the smaller more concentrated root system, ease of transport and moving on site, lighter weight package, and ease of establishment. A 3" caliper tree easily transplants from a 21" diameter grow bag. They stand up straight in storage and easily roll into position, often eliminating the need for heavy equipment.

HOT TIP...Water all transplants immediately after planting, even if the soil is wet and it is raining! Watering firms the soil, ensures soil contact to roots, removes air pockets, and starts the root system out with the critical moisture it needs.

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