

## Carroll County

# TREE PLANTING RESOURCE GUIDE

Trees provide many environmental, economic, and social benefits, such as the following:

- Clean the air by reducing CO<sub>2</sub> and producing O<sub>2</sub>
- Improve water quality by reducing stormwater runoff, erosion, and flooding
- Cool streets and towns by shading pavement
- Increase business patronage
- Save money on energy and irrigation
- Increase property values by beautifying spaces
- Provide habitat for birds and animals

Check out Trees Are Good at [www.treesaregood.org](http://www.treesaregood.org) for more information on the [benefits of trees](#).

This guide provides links to programs specific to Maryland and Carroll County, as well as useful online sources of general information about various aspects of tree planting and conservation. While it is not all inclusive, it can be used as a starting point for more information on topics of interest.

### STATE & LOCAL TREE PLANTING PROGRAMS

#### Carroll County Stream Buffer Initiative

<https://www.carrollcountymd.gov/media/5623/stream-buffer-initiative-tracy-eberhard-2017-04-19.pdf>

#### Carroll County Forest Conservation Program

<https://www.carrollcountymd.gov/government/directory/land-resource-management/resource-management/programs/forest-conservation-program/>

#### Carroll County Forest Conservation Code

[https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/carrollcounty/latest/carrollcounty\\_md/0-0-0-20266](https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/carrollcounty/latest/carrollcounty_md/0-0-0-20266)

#### Maryland Forest Conservation Act (Dept of Natural Resources)

<https://dnr.maryland.gov/forests/Pages/programapps/newfca.aspx>

#### Maryland DNR Backyard Buffers Program

<https://dnr.maryland.gov/forests/pages/programs/backyard-buffer-program.aspx>

### SELECTING THE RIGHT TREE(S)

#### The Arbor Day Foundation: Best Tree Finder: Tree Wizard

<https://www.arborday.org/shopping/trees/treewizard/intro.cfm>

#### The Morton Arboretum: Tree Selector

<https://www.mortonarb.org/trees-plants/tree-and-plant-advice/tree-species-list/filters>

#### The Arbor Day Foundation: The Tree Guide

<https://www.arborday.org/trees/treeguide/>

#### University of Maryland Extension Service:

The Extension Service provides resources and education materials to the public related to agriculture, gardening, and landscaping.

##### 🌳 Tree Fruit Purchasing and Planting

<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/tree-fruit-purchasing-and-planting>

##### 🌳 Tips for Choosing Trees and Shrubs

<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/tips-choosing-trees-and-shrubs>

### INVASIVE SPECIES AND NATIVE VS. NON-NATIVE

#### University of Maryland Extension, Woodland Stewardship Education: Forest Threats – Invasive Trees and Shrubs

<https://extension.umd.edu/woodland/your-woodland/forest-threats-invasive-trees-and-shrubs>

#### Choose Natives

<https://choosenatives.org/>

#### Maryland Native Plant Society

<https://mdflora.org/>

## SELECTING THE RIGHT LOCATION

### Davey: The Best and Worst Trees to Plant Near a House (By Zone)

<https://blog.davey.com/2018/04/the-best-and-worst-trees-to-plant-near-a-house-by-zone/>

### Miss Utility: Information for Homeowners

<https://www.missutility.net/homeowner/>

### BGE: Plant the Right Tree in the Right Place

<https://www.bge.com/SafetyCommunity/Safety/Pages/PlantingTrees.aspx>

## HOW TO PLANT A TREE

### Maryland Department of Natural Resources:

Program, planting, and care information. Link to \$25 coupons toward the purchase of native trees.

#### Marylanders Plant Trees

<http://dnr.Maryland.gov/forests/Pages/MarylandersPlantTrees/Introduction.aspx>

#### Marylanders Plant Trees: How to Choose and Care for Trees

<http://dnr.Maryland.gov/forests/Pages/MarylandersPlantTrees/How-to-Choose-and-Care-for-your-Tree.aspx>

### American Forests: How to Choose and Plant a Tree

<https://www.americanforests.org/af-news/how-to-plant-a-tree/>

### Mother Earth News: Tree Planting Tips

<https://www.motherearthnews.com/organic-gardening/tree-planting-tips-steps-zmaz99aszsto>

### Clemson University, College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences: Planting Trees Correctly

<https://hgic.clemson.edu/factsheet/planting-trees-correctly/>

## TREE CARE

### University of Maryland Extension:

#### Pruning Trees

<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/pruning-trees>

#### University of Maryland Extension: What Causes Trees to Die

<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/what-causes-trees-die>

### U.S. Forest Service: Tree Owner's Manual

[https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5368392.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5368392.pdf)

## STREAM BUFFERS

### Arbor Day Foundation: How to Plant Conservation Buffers for Streams

<https://www.arborday.org/programs/graphics/conservation-trees/conservation-buffers.pdf>

### Alliance for the Bay: Planting a Riparian Buffer

<http://www.stormwater.allianceforthebay.org/take-action/installations/riparian-buffers>

## PARTICIPATING IN TREE PLANTING EVENTS

### Chesapeake Bay Foundation: Volunteer

<https://www.cbf.org/join-us/volunteer/>

### Alliance for the Bay: Volunteer

<https://www.allianceforthebay.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

## OTHER

### Carroll County Forestry Board

<https://carrollcountyforestryboard.com/>



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