



Ornamental Trees and Shrubs Mentioned in Austen's Works

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Name	Scientific Name	JA Source*	Deciduous Or Evergreen	Month of Bloom (from Loudon and Miller)	Color of Bloom (Loudon)	Height in Feet**	Native or Year Imported (Harvey)	Illustration Location
Oak, English	<i>Quercus robur</i>	NA, PP, MP, J	D/ occ. E	May	Green	100 (H)	N	I-1
Walnut	<i>Juglans regia</i>	SS, J	D	June	Brown	100 (H)	1200	I-2
Pines, Scots ("Scotch firs" NA; Meader uses this name)	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	J, NA	E	Mar-May		120 (H)	N	I-3
Lime, Common (US: Linden)	<i>Tilia x europaea</i>	E	D	June	Yellow	100 (H)	N	I-4
Elm, English	<i>Ulmus minor/procera</i>	J, L, S, E	D	Mar-Apr	Yellow	150 (H)	N	I-5
Chestnut, Spanish (Sweet)	<i>Castanea sativa</i>	PP	D	May	Yellow	90 (H)	Romans	I-6
Beech, common	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	MP, L	D	May	Yellow	90 (H)	N	II-1
Larch, European	<i>Larix decidua</i>	MP, L	D	May	White	90 (H)	1620	II-2
Maple, Sugar	<i>Acer saccharum</i>	E	D	Mar-Apr	yellow	90 (H)	1725	II-3
Firs, Silver	<i>Abies alba</i>	SS, L	E	Mar-May		90 (H)	1603	II-4
Spruce, Norway	<i>Picea abies</i>	J, L	E	Mar-May		90 (H)	1300	II-5
Acacia, (US: Black Locust)	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	SS, L	D	June (Mi)	white	70 (H)	1630	II-6
Ash	<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	L	D	May	Yellow	80 (H)	N	II-7
Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	P	E	May	white	50 (H)	N	III-1
Yew	<i>Taxus baccata</i>	MP, SS	E	Mar-May		60 (H)	N	III-2
Chestnut, Horse	<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	L	D	May	White	50+ (L)	1660	III-3
Poplar, Lombardy	<i>Populus nigra Italica</i>	SS	D	Mar-Apr	brown	60 (H)	1758	III-4
Ash, Mountain (UK: Rowan or Quickbeam, Miller 1769)	<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	SS	D	May (Mi)	white	60 (H)	N	III-5
Laburnum (US: Golden Chain)	<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i> M: <i>Cytisus laburnum</i>	L	D	May	yellow	30 (H)	1560	III-6
Cherries, Wild or Sweet	<i>Prunus avium</i>	L, E	D	May	white	60 (H)	N	IV-1
Mulberry	<i>Morus nigra</i>	SS, L	D	June	brown	30 (H)	1200	IV-2
Pear	<i>Pyrus communis</i>	L, P	D	Mar-Apr	white	40 (H)	N	IV-3

Apple (Crab apple in Meader)	<i>Malus X domestica</i> (<i>M: Pyrus malus</i>)	<i>E, NA, P, L</i>	D	May	white/pink	30 (H)	Some N	IV-4
Plums, Orleans	<i>Prunus domestica</i>	<i>L</i>	D	Mar-Apr	white	20 (M)	Some N	IV-5
Apricot, Moorpark	<i>Prunus armeniaca</i>	<i>MP, L</i>	D	Mar-Apr	white/pink	30 (H)	1542 (com.)	IV-6
Hawthorn, Common	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	<i>J, SS</i>	D	May	white	20-30	N	V-1
Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	<i>SS</i>	D	June-Aug (Mi)	yellow	30 (M) climbing	N	V-2
Elder, Black	<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	<i>E</i>	D	June (Mi)	white	30 (H)	N	V-3
Box, Common	<i>Buxus semperviens</i>	<i>E</i>	E	April	green	30 (H)	N	V-4
Laurel, Cherry/Common	<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>	<i>PP, MP, E</i>	E	May	White	20 (M)	1576	V-5
Lilacs	<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	<i>L</i>	D	May	purple	18 (H)	1580	V-6
Hazel	<i>Corylus avellane</i>	<i>P</i>	D	March	yellow	18 (M)	N	V-7
Syringa (US: Mock Orange)	<i>Philadelphus coronarius</i>	<i>L</i>	D	June (Mi)	white	12 (H)	1580	VI-1
Myrtle (Greenhouse plant, Loudon & Harvey)	<i>Myrtus communis</i>	<i>MP, J</i>	E	July	white	15 (H)	1562	VI-2
Roses, Cabbage (an example of a garden rose)	<i>Rosa centifolia</i>	<i>NA, MP, J, L</i>	D	June-August	White, reds	4-5' (L)	Dutch hybrid	VI-3
Roses, Sweetbriar	<i>Rosa eglanteria or rubiginosa</i>	<i>L</i>	D	May-Jun	Pink	3-6' (L)	N	VI-4
Peony (Tree)	<i>Paeonia Moutan</i>	<i>L</i>	D	May	Red, white	2-6' (L)	900 peony	VI-5
Heath (US: Heather)	<i>Erica cinerea</i>	<i>MP, SS</i>	E	May-June	White, pink	1-2' (H)	N	VI-6
Lavender	<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i>	<i>SS</i>	E	June (Mi)-July	Purple	2-4' (H)	1265	VI-7

**Jane Austen's works: E=Emma, J=Juvenilia, L=Letters, MP=Mansfield Park, NA=Northanger Abbey, P=Persuasion, PP=Pride and Prejudice, SS=Sense and Sensibility, and S=Sanditon. Please see <https://jasnaewanid.org/austens-trees-and-shrubs-a-k/> and <https://jasnaewanid.org/austens-trees-and-shrubs-l-z/> for information on all the shrubs and trees, with relevant quotations from Austen.

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