



## How you can help!

### Become a Member:

Member's make the magic happen at the Yakima Area Arboretum! Join today!

- \$40 - Pine (Individual)
- \$60 - Fir (Family)
- \$100 - Spruce
- \$200 - Maple
- \$300 - Walnut
- \$500 - Cedar
- \$1,000 - Sequoia

### Benefits Include.....

- Special invites to our member-only Spring Plant Sale, 4th of July and Luminaria events.
- 10% discount in the Gift Shop.
- Class discounts, and more.

### If you own a business

Consider becoming an annual sponsor. Sponsorship packages start at \$1,000.

### Commemorative Giving

Honor a friend or loved one by sponsoring a tree, shrub, rose, or bench.

### Donate to the Arboretum's Endowment Fund

Your generosity helps to sustain the Yakima Area Arboretum for generations to come!

### Volunteer

Volunteering is a great way to make new friends, earn community service hours, increase your knowledge of plants and trees, and give back to your community.

**22 HONEYBEE APIARY**  
An apiary is a place where beekeepers keep their beehives. These hives are cared for by the Central Washington Beekeepers Association. Honey harvested from these hives is sold in the Arboretum's Gift Shop, but runs out quickly.

**23 GINKGO**  
Another of the prehistoric species, this tree dominated the local landscape millions of years ago. Fossilized remnants are featured at Ginkgo-Wanapum State Park near Vantage on the Columbia River.

**24 HAROLD JONES CENTER & CARETAKER HOUSE**  
The Jones Center is a service and maintenance facility for the gardener and work parties, contains storage and a classroom, and is home to the annual spring plant sale. The house and yard north of the Jones Building is where the Arboretum's onsite caretakers reside.

### SUMMER NATURE DAY CAMP, SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS & SOL SHINE NATURE PRESCHOOL

The classroom on the west side of the Jones Center Building and the adjacent fenced area are dedicated to our children's programs. The raised vegetable garden you see is constructed of "plumber," or recycled durable plastic lumber. The trellises are built from recycled fruit tree props.

Sol Shine Nature Preschool is a licensed Forest Kindergarten program for children ages three to six and follows the Yakima School District calendar. Learn more at <https://www.solshinenp.com/>

**25 KARA KONDO DRYLAND GARDEN**  
Located in the parking lot south of the Jones Center is the Kara Kondo Dryland Garden. This garden demonstrates the use of water-wise plants for landscaping. The only moisture these plants receive is natural precipitation. Located toward the north end are native plants and adapted non-native plants, while cacti and succulents occupy the south end.

**26 ROSE GARDEN & GAZEBO**  
The rose garden, founded by the Lower Naches Garden Club 1967, boasts over 300 roses and includes a gazebo, pathways, fountain, and memorial plaques within the flower beds. The gazebo is also available for weddings.

**27 BEECH COLLECTION**  
Among the beeches, the weeping varieties are prized for their broad, shady canopies. With smooth gray bark and edible nuts tucked in prickly husks, these trees are both beautiful and delicate. Please refrain from carving into their bark, as it can harm the tree by exposing it to disease, pests, and disrupt its nutrient flow.

**28 JOYFUL GARDEN**  
The Japanese Garden features a wisteria gateway, tea house, pagoda, reflecting pond and waterfall. The hand-carved stone lantern next to the pond was a gift from Yakima's Sister City in Japan, Itayanagi. The garden is a favorite and frequent site for weddings and photography. Weeping Nootka false cypresses stand against the horizon at the garden's highest point.

**29 CHERRY BLOSSOMS**  
South of the Japanese Garden is a collection of flowering cherry trees. In late March to early April delicate pink and white blossoms burst into bloom much to the delight of area residents.

**30 FLOWERING CRABAPPLES**  
The Yakima Area Arboretum boasts one of the largest collections of flowering crabapples in the Pacific Northwest. In late spring, a stunning display of white, pink, red, and magenta blossoms fills the grounds, along with their sweet fragrance, while early fall brings vibrant fruit in a variety of colors and sizes.

**31 EDIBLE SHRUB BED**  
Planted in 2012, this bed features a diverse selection of fruits, including currants, quince, and gooseberries. To the south, you'll find a common medlar—a shrub or small tree cultivated since Roman times. To the north, discover a persimmon and a yellowhorn tree. **Visitor note:** This garden is for display purposes only. Please do not eat the display.

**32 NUT COLLECTION**  
This collection includes black walnut, English walnut, almond, Japanese heartnut and pecan.

**33 UTILITY FRIENDLY TREES**  
These shorter-statured trees are suitable beneath overhead utility lines. A project of Pacific Power.

## Seasonal Highlights

**December - January - February**  
Witch hazel, Red-osier dogwood, Hawthorn, Conifers

**March - April**  
Cornelian cherry dogwood, Viburnum, Magnolia, Flowering cherry, plum, crabapple, pear and peach, Redbud, Flowering dogwood, Serviceberry

**May - June**  
Hawthorn, Golden chain, Viburnum, Kousa dogwood, Yellowwood, wildflowers, cacti and succulents

**September - October - November**  
Ornamental grasses, Nuts, Larch, Color foliage of deciduous trees, such as beech, birch, dogwood, ginkgo, maple, oak, sweetgum

### HOURS

The Arboretum grounds are open daily from dawn to dusk. Admission is free.  
The **Tree House Museum Store** and **Jewett Interpretive Center** are open Monday through Saturday, 9 AM to 5 PM.  
To schedule a group tour, rent the facility, or for more information, call (509) 248-7337.

**Stay updated on the latest classes, events, and seasonal highlights!**

**Sign up for the Weekly Leaf e-newsletter at [www.ahtrees.org](http://www.ahtrees.org).**

# Garden Map



## YAKIMA AREA ARBORETUM



### Welcome!

We are delighted to have you here.

The Yakima Area Arboretum spans 46 acres as a 'living museum,' featuring over 1,100 trees and plants beautifully arranged in collections and display gardens. We host a variety of annual events, including a popular summer camp for children and a winter candlelit walk that draws thousands of visitors each December. Our gardens and facilities are also a favorite for weddings, celebrations, meetings, photography, bird watching, and much more.

Established in 1967 by a dedicated group of volunteers from the Central Washington Federation of Garden Clubs, the Arboretum continues to thrive thanks to the generosity of our members, visitors, and the commitment of our volunteers.

Enjoy your visit!

## 1 INTERPRETIVE CENTER

The Jewett Interpretive Center was a gift from Don & Helen Jewett of Yakima in 1992. Among its features are a Carillon bell tower, Heritage of Trees display, Fred & Dorothy Plath Solarium, Tree House Museum Store, Founder's Courtyard & Rose Druse Pergola, meeting facilities, orchid, turtle and insect displays, restrooms, water fountain & staff offices.

## 2 WINTER DISPLAY GARDEN

Installed in spring of 2023, this garden incorporates native basalt rocks, evergreen and deciduous trees, shrubs, perennials, ground covers, and grasses to provide outstanding multi-season interest. A nearby feature is the columnar basalt fountain and shade garden, in memory of Donald Jewett, next to the building's main entrance.

## 3 REDBUDS & HIBISCUS

On the southeast corner of the Interpretive Center is a collection of eastern redbud trees. Eastern redbuds are large deciduous shrubs or small trees, native to eastern North America. Nearby are showy hibiscus flowers, a genus of flowering plants in the mallow family.

## 4 POND & FOUNTAIN

Jewett Pond with its center fountain is framed by grasses, rushes, sedges, and red osier dogwood. Look for the blue heron, kingfisher, wood ducks, Canadian geese, & swallows that make this pond their home.

## 5 CENTENNIAL OAKS

This collection was first planted on Arbor Day in 1989 as part of Washington State's Centennial. There are now over 50 oak trees in the Arboretum's collection.

## 6 MAPLE COLLECTION

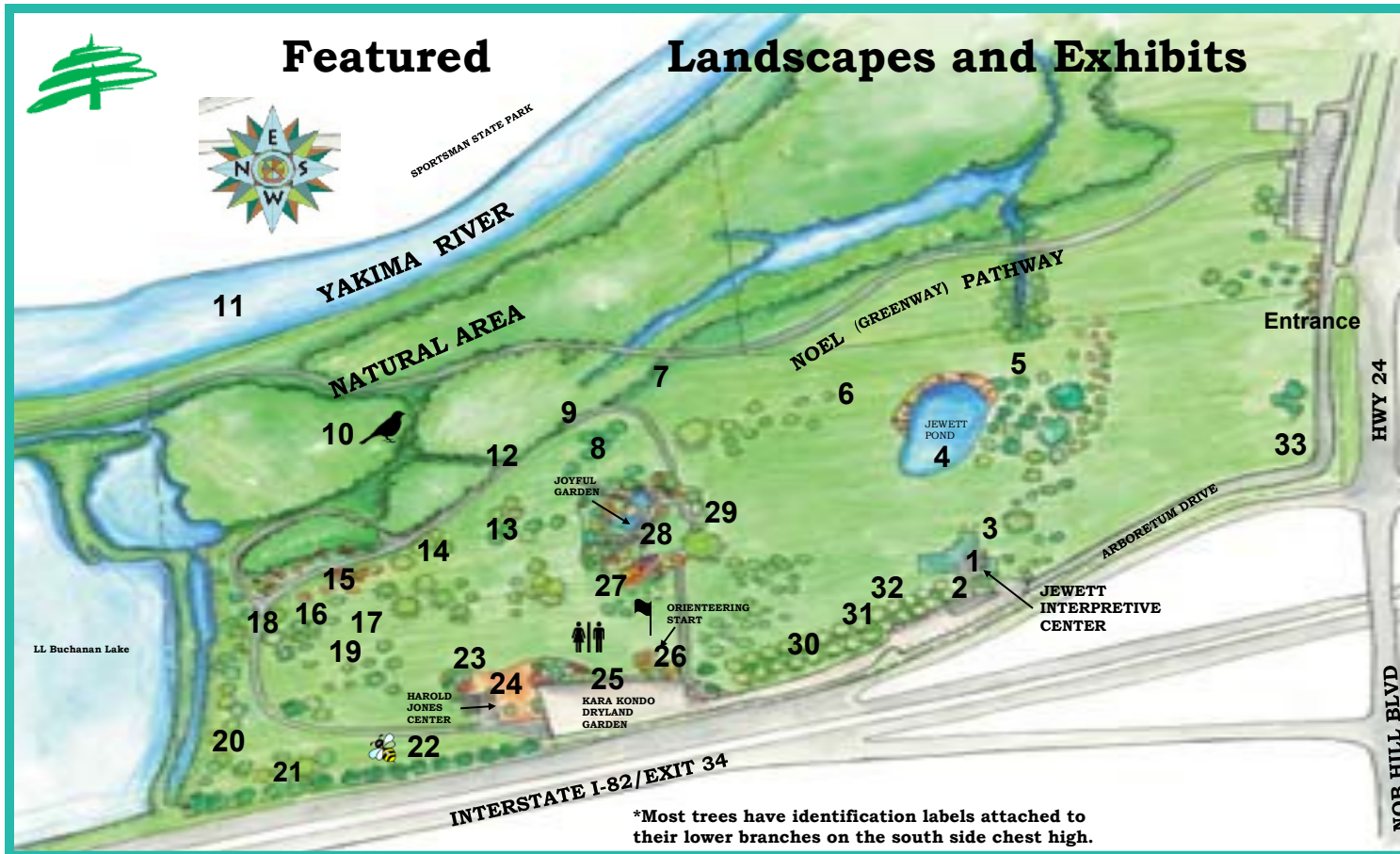
Maples are noted for fall color, and range from large shade trees to small, shrubby accent trees. All have opposite leaves. The fruits are paired, winged seeds in doubles called samarae or keys.

## 7 YAKIMA GREENWAY PATHWAY

Passing through the Arboretum is the Yakima Greenway Trail. The trail spans from Naches to Union Gap, and boasts more than 20 miles of paved pathway, as well as parks, fishing lakes, picnic areas and playgrounds.

## 8 MOUNTAIN ASH GROVE

The grove east of the Joyful Garden shows mountain ash along with hornbeam, honey locust, ash and birch.



\*Most trees have identification labels attached to their lower branches on the south side chest high.

## 9 EDWARD M. SCHROEDER NATURAL AREA & BRUSH PILE

This path winds among native vegetation, crosses the Greenway Pathway and returns. Look for local wildlife, bird blind, wild roses, red osier dogwood, poison ivy and the gardener's brush piles.

## 10 BIRD BLIND & FEEDING STATION

The winter bird feeding station is very popular not only with local "birders" but with wild birds as well.

## 11 YAKIMA RIVER

Flowing along the east edge of the Arboretum, the river is the water lifeline of the Valley. Native black cottonwood trees and coyote willow abound beside the river.

## 12 VIBURNUM

Many viburnums have showy flowers, thick foliage and brilliantly colored fruit. Migrating birds are attracted for food and shelter.

## 13 DECIDUOUS FOREST

Started in 2023 this garden features an assortment of trees, woody shrubs and ground covers similar to what you might see in deciduous forests from around the world.

## 14 TREES OF WASHINGTON

Dedicated on Arbor Day 1997 to Knut Lunnum, this exhibit features native trees which are capable of withstanding the extremes of Yakima's temperate continental climate (from -25° F to +110° F).

## 15 CARLSON BUTTERFLY GARDEN

This memorial to Barbara L. Carlson incorporates plantings of perennials and host plants attractive to butterflies and other pollinators.

## 16 LIVING FOSSIL

The dawn redwood, a prehistoric tree species, existed 50 million years ago, and shared landscapes with dinosaurs.

## 17 GIANT SEQUOIA COLLECTION

Meet the giant sequoias! This species is the most massive of trees, reaching heights of 300' with a handsome pyramidal shape. A cold-tolerant tree from the high western slope of the Sierra Nevada, giant sequoia in the distant past grew in this area along with ginkgo and cypress.

## 18 WESTERN LARCH

The western larch is deciduous conifer, losing its needles in the fall, and is native to the mountains of western N. America, including eastern Washington.

## 19 HAWTHORN COLLECTION

Both thorned and thornless species provide cover and berries, called haws, for birds.

## 20 SPRUCES & PINES

Several evergreen conifers are represented here, including spruces with pendulous cones and pines with woody cones.

## 21 FIRS, DOUGLAS-FIR & INCENSE CEDAR

True firs exhibit symmetrical profiles. Generally their foliage is 'softer,' less rigid and prickly, than that of spruces. The cones grow upright and erect, and disintegrate after maturity, rather than falling intact as do those of spruce. Douglas-fir is of a different genus than that of the true firs. Note the border row of incense cedars standing as a wind break and a visual barrier.

DONATE TODAY!

We hope you enjoyed your visit to the Yakima Area Arboretum!

While exploring our beautiful grounds is free, we depend on donations and memberships from our visitors to thrive. Your support could help us create our next outdoor garden, develop a new indoor exhibit, or provide camp scholarships for families in need.

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