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TREES			
Japanese maple (<i>Acer palmatum</i>)	ACPA	Small tree. Opposite branching. Leaves have 5-7 pointed lobed with very deep indents. Margins toothed. Winged seeds are small and red. Buds have a fuzzy fringe.	
Japanese angelica tree (<i>Aralia elata</i>)	AREL	Small tree. Very large, multiply-divided compound leaves that form flat layers; very nasty, sharply-prickled stem. Spines in leaf axils. AKA Devil's walking stick.	
Bradford / Callery pear (<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>)	PYCA	Small tree. Alternate branching. Oval leaves, glossy, dark green, margin wavy with small teeth. Long hairy terminal buds (½ in). Olive brown fruit with brown/tan speckles. Sharp spurs along branches.	
Common buckthorn (<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>)	RHCA	Small tree. Opposite or almost opposite leaves. Leaves with 3 pairs of secondary veins curving to tip, glossy, smooth surface, small teeth on margin. Clusters of berries in leaf axils. Black when ripe.	
SHRUBS			
Linden viburnum (<i>Viburnum dilatatum</i>)	VIDI	Opposite branching shrub. Oval, rounded leaves with a softly hair surface and scalloped margin. Fruit in flat-topped clusters, Red when ripe.	
Siebold's viburnum (<i>Viburnum sieboldii</i>)	VISI	Opposite branching shrub. Leaves larger (2"-5"), thick, toothed, very deeply creased veins. Green pepper or skunk smell when crushed. Fruit in flat-topped clusters with red stalks. Red to black.	

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VINES (Woody)			
Japanese/Chinese Wisteria (<i>Wisteria spp.</i>)	WIST	Twining vine with compound leaves. Many long narrow leaflets (7-19), pointed at tip and untoothed margin. Large bean-pod seed capsule, hairy (begins forming early summer).	
Porcelainberry (<i>Ampelopsis brevipedunculata</i>)	AMBR	Twining vine with tendrils. Very similar to grape vine. Leaves green beneath. Often deeply lobed, fruit borne erect, not dangling. Small berries are multicolored - white, blue, purple.	
English ivy (<i>Hedera helix</i>)	HEHE	Climbing vine with rootlet attachments. Thick leathery dark green leaves. Evergreen.	
VINES (Herbaceous)			
Mile-a-minute vine (<i>Polygonum perfoliatum</i>)	POPE	Herbaceous vine, forms dense growths over everything. Light green color. Triangular leaves, with the petiole attached in mid-leaf; down-pointing short barbs on the stem	
Black swallowwort (<i>Cynanchum louiseae</i>)	CYLO	Herbaecous vine. Opposite long, pointed, dark green leaves that droop; clusters of dark purple flowers at the leaf bases; seed pods like milkweeds (fall)	