

Selected Ginkgo Forms & Cultivars

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Ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba*) in nature is a tall tree with a wide mature crown. Across many centuries, a number of unique traits have been recognized and cultivated. There are many ginkgo cultivars now available. These cultivars come in a host of sizes, shapes, and appearances. Ginkgo can be divided into five primary crown types besides “normal”: a weeping or pendulous form (first described in 1887); a highly upright or fastigate form; a dwarf type; a branch type with aerial root bulges; and, various modified foliage types subdivided into three main foliage variations -- rolled tubular leaves, variegated leaves (first described in 1887), and leaf and seed-stem fused foliage. Other special variations are being created every year by active breeding and selection programs around the world.

This publication is not a comprehensive review of all cultivars or tree forms available. Only shade, street, and ornamental tree selections are reviewed. No scientific determination of quality or value is suggested by inclusion or exclusion on the following list. Only a few selection traits are provided to introduce different selection concepts and cultivar names. This publication should not be used as a purchasing guide. Information contained here was gleaned from the literature, some of which was marketing and sales materials. The accuracy of this material could not be fully confirmed. See Table 1. Note a blank space represents either conflicting or missing values.

Table 1: Select list of *Ginkgo biloba* cultivars and named forms.

Selection Group Key: Crown Forms and Leaf Types Varying From Normal Type	
WEEP	= weeping, pendulous, or umbrella-like
UP	= upright or fastigate
DWARF	= dwarf to semi-dwarf size
CHICHI	= branches with aerial root bulges
Foliage Variations	
TUBE	= rolled tubular leaves
VARI	= variegated leaves
EPI	= leaf and seed-stem fused foliage (epiphylla / ohazuki)
<p>Note: Dwarf forms and most of the foliage variations are usually very slow growing. Variegated leaves are usually unstable selections of green and yellow which require continuous pruning to maintain and are usually small females.</p>	
Sex Key:	M = predominately male F = predominately female

cultivar name (other names)	selection group	sex	height (feet)	comments
Anny's Dwarf	DWARF	M		
Aurea (Yellowleaf)	VARI			yellow-variegated
Aureo-variegata	VARI			yellow variegated
Autumn Gold		M	50	compact crown

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Barabits Nana (Barabits Dwarf)	DWARF	M	7	
Bergen op Zoom	DWARF	M	15	
Bon's Dwarf	DWARF	M	9	
Broom With Tubes	TUBE	M		
Chase Manhattan	DWARF	M	8	
Chi-Chi (Chichi) (Chi Chi Icho) (Icho) (Tit) (Tschit Tschit)	CHICHI/DWARF	M	8	
Chris Dwarf	DWARF	M		
Cleveland	UP	M		
Cutleaf (Dissecta) (Laciniata) (Largeleaf) (Longifolia) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Dissecta (Cutleaf) (Laciniata) (Largeleaf) (Longifolia) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Elmwood Fastigate (Elmwood Fastigata)	UP	M		
Emperor (Woodstock)		M	60	
Epiphylla (Ohasuki) (Ohatsuki) (Ohazaki) (Ohazuki)	EPI	F	15	

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Fairmount (Fairmont)	UP	M	60	
Fastigiata (Sentry)	UP	M		
Globus		M		big leaves
Gresham		M	32	wide spread crown
Heksenbezem Leiden	DWARF	M	10	
Icho (Chichi) (Chi-Chi) (Chi Chi Icho) (Tit) (Tsch Tsch)	CHICHI/DWARF	M	8	
Jade Butterflies (Jade Butterfly)	DWARF	M	10	
Joe's Dwarf	DWARF	M		
Kew	UP	M		
Laciniata (Cutleaf) (Dissecta) (Largeleaf) (Longifolia) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Lakeview		M	50	
Largeleaf (Cutleaf) (Dissecta) (Laciniata) (Longifolia) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Liberty Splendor		F	45	

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Longifolia (Cutleaf) (Dissecta) (Laciniata) (Largeleaf) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Macrophylla (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata) (Cutleaf) (Dissecta) (Laciniata) (Largeleaf) (Longifolia) (Triloba)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Magyar	UP	M	60	
Mariken	DWARF / WEEP	M	4	
Mayfield	UP	M	40	
Mother Load			F	low scent seeds
Ohasuki (Ohatsuki) (Ohazaki) (Ohazuki) (Epiphylla)	EPI / DWARF	F	15	
Old Gold	UP	M		
Palo Alto		M	60	
Pendula (Weeping)	WEEP	M		
Prague (Pragense) (Pragensis)	WEEP / DWARF	M	12	
The President		M	65	from Athens, GA
Princeton Gold		M	60	
Princeton Sentry	UP	M	70	
Pyramidalis		M	50	
Rainbow	VARI	F	10	yellow striped, low reversion rate
Robin		M	65	

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Roosevelt Ross Moore	WEEP	M	65	
Saint Cloud (St. Cloud)		M	60	dense crown
Santa Cruz (Umbrella) (Umbraculifera)	WEEP/DWARF	F	12	
Saratoga	UP	M	35	
Sentry (Fastigiata)	UP	M		
Shangri-la		M	50	
Sinclair		M	60	
Slim Jim	UP	M	50	
Snowflake	VARI	M		white mottled & striped
Spring Grove (Spring Grove Witches Broom)	DWARF	M	8	
Sunstream	VARI	F		low reversion rate
Tit (Chi-Chi) (Chichi) (Chi Chi Icho) (Icho) (Tschì-Tschì)	CHICHI/DWARF	M	8	
Tremonia		F	35	large leaves
Triloba (Cutleaf) (Dissecta) (Laciniata) (Largeleaf) (Longifolia) (Macrophylla) (Macrophylla Incisa) (Macrophylla Laciniata)		M	60	large, deeply lobed, multi incised leaves
Troll	DWARF		7	
Tschì Tschì (Chichi) (Chi-Chi) (Chi Chi Icho) (Icho) (Tit)	CHICHI/DWARF	M	8	
Tubiforme (Tubeleaf) (Tubifolia) (Tubiformis)	TUBE/DWARF/UP		10	

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Umbrella (Santz Cruz) (Umbraculifera)	WEEP/DWARF	F	12	
Varigata (Variegata)	VARI/DWARF	F	10	yellow variegated
WB (Witches Broom)	DWARF	M	9	dense crown
Weeping (Pendula)	WEEP	M		
Windover (Windover Gold)		M	55	
Woodstock (Emperor)		M	60	
Yellowleaf (Aurea)	VARI			yellow-variegated

