8.1 Mixed Wood Plains
United States

**American Aspen / Quaking Aspen**  
*(Populus tremuloides)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun  
- **WATER:** Average  
- **HEIGHT:** 20 - 50 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 10 - 30 ft  

This species has dark green leaves that turn golden yellow in the fall and flutter and tremble in the wind. Before the leaves, small male and female flowers appear on separate catkins and trees, with female flowers giving way to small fruit.

**American Plum**  
*(Prunus americana)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun  
- **WATER:** Low, Average  
- **HEIGHT:** 15 - 25 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 15 - 25 ft  

This tree is a great choice for shrub borders, hedges, screens, or erosion control. It has toothed leaves, five petaled white flowers in spring, and produces edible red plums.  
*Not native to northeastern parts of ecoregion*

**Black Cherry**  
*(Prunus serotina)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun  
- **WATER:** Average  
- **HEIGHT:** 50 - 80 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 30 - 60 ft  

This plant has glossy green leaves with pointed tips, has fragrant white flowers in the spring, and produces berries that can be used in jams and jellies. Is tolerant of dry soil.

**Black Willow**  
*(Salix nigra)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun  
- **WATER:** Average, High  
- **HEIGHT:** 30 - 60 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 30 - 60 ft  

This versatile and fast-growing tree thrives in moist environments, adding visual interest to the landscape with its elegant leaves and grayish-brown bark. It is a great choice for gardens seeking both aesthetic appeal and tolerance of wet conditions.

**Chokecherry**  
*(Prunus virginiana)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun  
- **WATER:** Low, Average  
- **HEIGHT:** 20 - 30 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 15 - 20 ft  

This plant is tolerant to drought, and dry, rocky, or clay soil. It is a great choice for beds, borders, hedges, screens, and open woodland gardens. It produces white flowers and edible berries.

**Red Maple**  
*(Acer rubrum)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun  
- **WATER:** Average  
- **HEIGHT:** 40 - 70 ft  
- **SPREAD:** 30 - 50 ft  

This fast growing tree has tiny red flowers in early spring followed by red fruit. The dark green leaves in the spring turn to yellow or red in the fall.
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**Red Oak**
*(Quercus rubra)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun
- **WATER:** Low, Average
- **HEIGHT:** 50 - 70 ft
- **SPREAD:** 50 - 70 ft

With its broad, lobed leaves that turn a brilliant red color in the fall, this tree creates a vibrant display of seasonal beauty. Highly attractive to a variety of species and boasting a remarkable lifespan of up to 500 years, this majestic tree not only provides ample shade but also exhibits remarkable adaptability to various soil conditions.

**Sugar Maple**
*(Acer saccharum)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun, Partial Sun
- **WATER:** Average
- **HEIGHT:** 40 - 80 ft
- **SPREAD:** 30 - 60 ft

Used to produce maple syrup, this tree has green-yellow flowers in the spring. It grows 3-6 inch, five-lobed leaves that are green in the summer and turn yellow, orange, or red in the fall.

**White Oak**
*(Quercus alba)*

- **LIGHT:** Full Sun
- **WATER:** Low, Average
- **HEIGHT:** 50 - 80 ft
- **SPREAD:** 50 - 80 ft

This tree has leaves with 7-9 rounded lobes that are dark green when mature and turn red in the fall. It produces brown oval acorns that are 1 inch long. These trees live up to 600 years and are resistant to salt and mildew.