



The Trumansburg Tree Hunt is a scavenger hunt designed to allow our community to celebrate Arbor Day together - even as we observe responsible physical distancing practices. To participate simply follow the green markers on the map to each of the 20 trees found along Main Street and find the small signs that list each species. Along the way be sure to wave to your neighbors and of course, smell the flowers! The signs will stay up for about three weeks - long enough that if you do it twice you'll be able to see some of the changes of spring!

If the scavenger hunt itself isn't quite enough excitement for you, you can take the next step by writing down each common name and scientific name as you go (listed on the small plaque at each tree), and sending your list to Ben Carver (benjicarv@gmail.com) to be entered to win one of several arbor-themed prizes. AND, if you send answers to the following questions, along with your list, you will be entered twice (you do not need to answer the bonus question to be entered).

Questions:

1. Of the 20 species in the tree hunt, how many are native to our region?
2. Of the 20 species in the tree hunt, how many had flowers when you found them?
How many had leaves?
3. Do you recognize any of these 20 species from around your yard or at school? Which ones?
4. What benefits are there to having trees along our streets and in public spaces?
5. One of the trees in the hunt is threatened by an invasive insect. Which is it and what is the name of the insect?
6. How much carbon do trees in the Village sequester each year? (Hint: search the Village website for 'tree')
7. How much of Trumansburg is covered by tree canopies? (Hint: search the Village website for 'tree')

BONUS QUESTION for the tree experts out there: Two trees on the list are specific cultivars, but only have a genus and species listed. Which two, and what are the names of the cultivars?

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