

Kenbrook Hills Landscape Plant Material Recommendations

Landscape Committee

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The following are recommended by the Landscape Committee as guidance for residents who would like to update the common and limited common areas around their homes. The evergreen options preserve/enhance the green palette at Kenbrook Hills. Additionally, the interest options provide continuity across the neighborhood and work well when incorporated with the evergreen options. Most are readily available from Oakland and Strader's Garden Centers.

OVERALL KENBROOK EVERGREEN OPTIONS

Main considerations/features:

- hardiness
- no or low maintenance
- foundational/border appropriate (most are round and smaller size, except for holly).

Boxwoods - great in formal landscapes, round/globe form

- Green Velvet - 3-4 ft tall, full or part shade
- Green Gems - dwarf hybrid, 2 ft, full sun to shade
- for taller, upright corners and interest, consider pyramidal boxwoods

Arborvitae

- Little Giant - globe, 2-3 ft, full sun to shade
- Anna's Magic Ball - dwarf, yellow/green, 1-2 ft, full sun to some shade

Birds Nest Spruce

- Nest Spruce, 3-5 ft tall X 4-6 ft wide, full sun to some shade
- Little Gem - dwarf, bright, Emerald Green, 1-2 ft, full sun to some shade
- Dwarf Globe Blue Spruce - bright blue, 3-5 ft tall x 4-6 ft wide, slow growing, eventually prune for size, full sun, some shade

Blue Star Juniper

- 2-3 ft, very slow growing, icy blue color, full sun to some shade

Blue Prince & Blue Princess Holly

- leaf texture interest, traditional holly, prune to maintain size, part sun to shade

Inkberry

- Gem Box, 2-3' high & wide, sun to part shade
- Shamrock, 3-4' tall & wide, sun to part shade

KENBROOK INTEREST OPTIONS

Hydrangeas – summer and fall interest – Recommendations include only white options to complement the green backdrop & ones that do not need additives for color enhancements.

- Annabelle Hydrangea, large, white mophead blooms all summer, 5 ft tall. partial shade
- Wedding Gown Hydrangeas- lacecap, white blooms, 3-4 ft tall - partial shade

- Bobo Hydrangeas - dwarf 2-3 ft, full sun to part shade
- Invincibelle Wee White – 18-24” high/wide, full sun to part sun

Korean Spice Viburnum

- Spring Interest, 4-6 ft white spring blooms are "gloriously fragrant," semi evergreen, full sun to part shade

Winterberry Holly (Mrs. Poppins & Mr. Poppins--need male & female for berries)

- winter Interest, abundant red berries, not typical spiky/glossy holly leaves, deciduous, 3-4 ft, full sun to part sun.

Fire Chief Arborvitae (evergreen with year-round color interest)

- red, yellow, green, orange, slow growth, 2 ft in 10 years, 4 ft at maturity., round shape, full sun

Red Barberry

- "Admiration" 1-2 ft or "Crimson" 3-4 ft
- red summer/fall color, has thorns, full to part sun

Selective use of ferns, hostas, and knockout roses

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Landscape Guidelines

Any neighbor who would like to modify the landscape must first submit a drawing/proposal to the Landscape Committee for review and approval. The Committee will review, approve, or ask for revisions, and will then refer the proposal to the Board for approval. **Approval must be obtained for all plantings (except annuals), placement of pots or statuary, addition of lighting, removal of current landscaping, and any other alterations.***

TYPICAL WORKFLOW – drawings/proposals are sent to the Landscape Committee by residents prior to end of current month -- committee meets within the first 2 weeks of the following month – Board entertains Committee recommendation(s) during 3rd week of month and neighbor is notified of approval/request for revisions/decline. Please send proposals or direct questions to Linda Mauger, Landscape Committee Chair, 614-486-7072 or ljmauger@yahoo.com.

**From the Landscape Committee Guiding Principles: Any alteration to existing healthy landscaping in common areas in front or behind a unit will be at homeowner's expense after Landscape Committee and Board approval. The 20' area from the foundation in back is landscaped at owner's expense with Landscape Committee and Board approval. The Association is responsible for replacing dying and overgrown shrubs or trees (except in 20' area from rear of foundation). If the Association conducts needed repairs that damage current landscaping, the Association is responsible for replacing the landscaping in like condition. The Landscape Committee, as it reviews proposals, will consider elements of uniformity with current landscape environment as one criteria for approval.*