



RESPECT OUR WATERS



PLANTING TREES TIPS AND BENEFITS

TIPS

Before you plant a tree, inspect the designated spot carefully.

Avoid planting a tree in close proximity to underground utilities, power lines, or buildings.

Call Diggers Hotline (1-800-242-8511) before you start planting to avoid hitting buried utilities.

Talk to your local nursery to find a tree that's right for your location and soil type.

There are many trees that are native to Wisconsin, and are naturally suited for surviving the winter.

Trees should be staked loosely, protected from wind, and watered in the summer.

BENEFITS

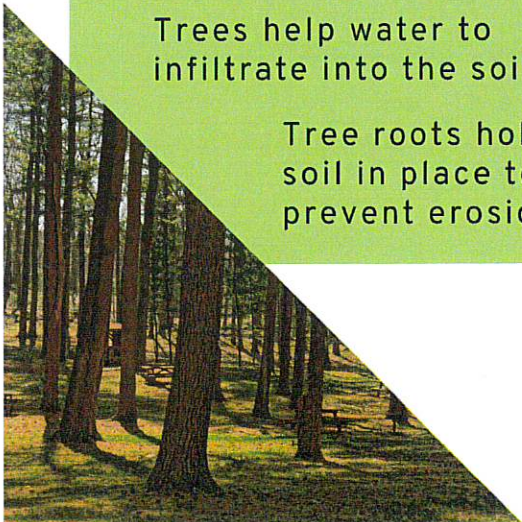
When it rains, trees hold water in their leaves and branches.

Trees help water to infiltrate into the soil.

Tree roots hold soil in place to prevent erosion.

Trees capture polluted stormwater runoff from sidewalks, driveways and parking lots so it doesn't flow into waterways.

A single mature tree with a 30-foot crown can intercept more than 700 gallons of rain each year.



This information was brought to you by Southeastern Wisconsin Watersheds Trust, Inc. Get more information online at www.respectourwaters.org