

ARBORETUM HISTORY

The Arboretum at Regis University consists of more than 1,280 trees, 85 genuses, and more than 290 species or cultivars along the self-guided walking tour of campus. Most trees are labeled by common name, scientific name and an inventory identification number. The identification number begins with an abbreviation for the area on campus where the tree is located and is followed by an inventory number. Arboretum brochures are available at the Dayton Memorial Library (DML) front desk or the Arboretum kiosk located near the entrance to parking Lot 4.

The self-guided tour begins at the Arboretum kiosk in parking Lot 4 (L4). Initially you walk east toward St. Peter Claver, S.J., Hall (PCH) to see the Ohio Buckeyes, a Corkscrew Willow and a Weeping Norway Spruce against the building. As you walk south across the plaza, two 'Weeping' trees, a 'Snow Fountains Cherry' and 'Purple Leaf Beech,' are visible. Follow the sidewalk up the hill and around the building to the east courtyard, which protects a rare specimen of the Princess Tree along with a 'Red Dragon Laceleaf Maple.'

Continuing along the north edge of the O'Sullivan Fine Arts Building (FA) to the west, be sure to admire the Cinnamon-Red peeling bark of our State Champion (northeasternmost tree) and three matching Amur Chokecherry trees. Toward the front of the Fine Arts Building, plantings highlight Colorado natives, including Serviceberries, Chokecherries, Gambel Oak, Alders, Mountain Mahogany, and Bristlecone, Red and Limber Pines.

Traveling along the south side of the Fine Arts Building you will notice a Cutleaf Silver Maple as you make your way to the Resident Village (RV). Strolling to the north side of the Resident Village complex headed east, you will pass a Chinkapin and Green Pillar Oak, Lacebark Pines, an Oregon Grape Holly and a couple of Fat Albert Spruces. When crossing the bridge you'll notice four Norway Spruce transplanted in 2003 that have flourished in their new location. Moving along to the south and west you'll see Flame Amur Maples that are always on fire in the fall. You may continue down the south side of the Resident Village (RV) and find several varieties of Oak trees along with a 'Cedar of Lebanon' by the bike rack. A couple of noteworthy specimens await the adventurous few who venture down the path between Residence Village 2 and Residence Village 3. As you leave the area and head west you won't want to miss the noble Weeping American Elm (another champion tree) to your right as you pass the north end of O'Connell Hall (OCH).

While in the area, take a walk through the Our Lady of Loretto Grotto (GR) to catch a glimpse of a Weeping Blue Atlas Cedar and a Bizon Blue Spruce. South of the Grotto (GR) and across the fire lane, you will notice a peculiar grove of trees including a Manchurian Chestnut, Carpathian Walnut, Black Hills Spruce and a European Beech to name a few. All were transplants in 2004 to make room for the new St. John Francis Regis Chapel (SRC) construction in 2005.

One area of interest you might want to visit (especially in the spring) is the Hopkins Garden in the DeSmet Hall (DH) courtyard. Our once Champion Saucer Magnolia along with a Tri-Colored Beech are two of many species that will intrigue your botanical senses.

In midsummer, a Carolina Allspice will bloom along the east wall of the Science Building. Take your time as you stroll around the Coors Life Directions Center (LDC), for there are many unique trees and shrubs planted here, including Dawn Redwoods, Bald Cypress, a Japanese White Pine that was planted by the Dalai Lama and a White Fringe tree.

Moving along, take a gander into Loyola Courtyard (LOY) and enjoy its splendor. You will notice a peculiar specimen and equally impressive Champion Blue Atlas Cedar to the east of it. Also in this area are numerous Cornelian Cherries and a dedicated Yellowwood that only blooms every other year. After your retreat in the courtyard, head between the Science Building and Loyola Hall (LOY) and pause at the Cactus Garden to enjoy the selection.

As you head west, see the Ginkgo, Silver Linden, and other interesting trees in the Miniquad (MQ), and take the short detour south along the west wall of Loyola Hall to enjoy the Weeping Mulberry as well as the Weeping Larches that frame the entrance to Loyola Hall.

If you're interested, you can compare five species of oak planted northwest of the Dayton Memorial Library. The state's largest Sawtooth Oak (champion tree) is located in the northeast corner of the South Boettcher Commons (SC).

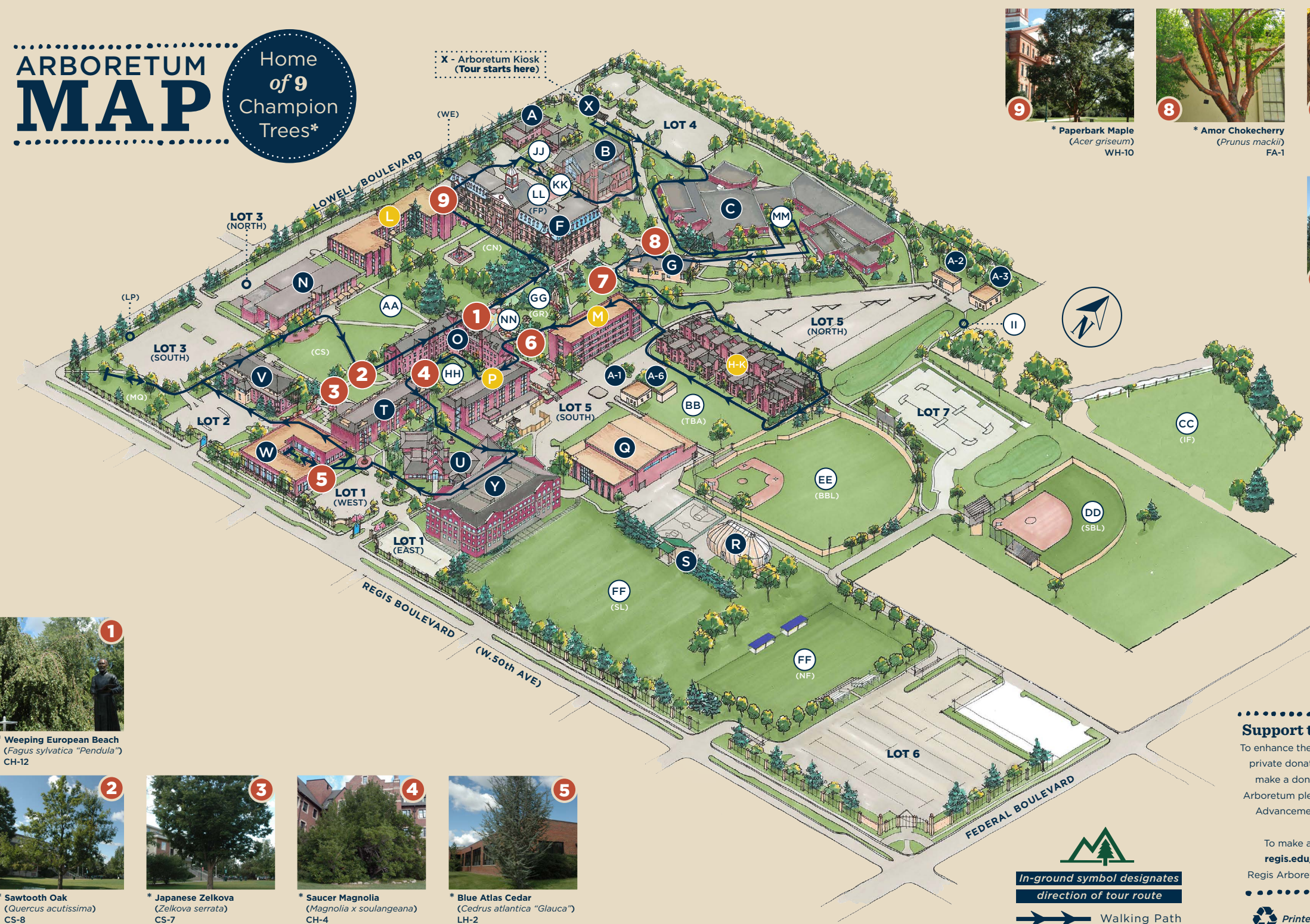
Heading north, you'll pass the St. Ignatius memorial and compass, which contain a pair of Weeping European Beeches and a pair of Bloodgood Planetrees. Large White Fir trees, Silver Maple, Red Maple, Sugar Maple, and Spring Snow Flowering Crabs fill the southeast corner of the North Boettcher Commons (CN).

The areas around West Hall (WH) are planted with more unusual trees, including a Columnar European Hornbeam, Columnar English Oak and two Paper Bark Maples. Feel free to wander West Hill (WE) and the front of Main Hall (MH), especially the east evergreen grove. Here you will find Pinus densiflora 'Oculus Draconis', aka Dragon's Eye Pine. As you prepare for your final adventure around Fortune Plaza (FP) and St. John Francis Regis Chapel, don't rush, for there are dozens of rare and unusual trees here to explore.

We hope you'll return often to enjoy the beauty and wonder that each season brings to our Arboretum on the Northwest Denver Campus of Regis University.

ARBORETUM MAP

Home of 9 Champion Trees*



* Weeping European Beech (Fagus sylvatica "Pendula") CH-12



* Sawtooth Oak (Quercus acutissima) CS-8



* Japanese Zelkova (Zelkova serrata) CS-7



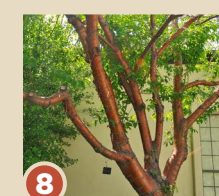
* Saucer Magnolia (Magnolia x soulangeana) CH-4



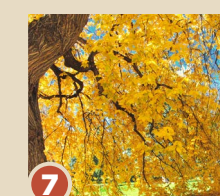
* Blue Atlas Cedar (Cedrus atlantica "Glauca") LH-2



* Paperbark Maple (Acer griseum) WH-10



* Amur Chokecherry (Prunus maackii) FA-1



* Weeping American Elm (Ulmus americana "Pendula") OCH-1



* Heritage River Birch (Betula nigra "Heritage") GR-6

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CAMPUS KEY

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|-----|--------------------------------------------|-------|----|-----------------------------|-----------|
| A | Jesuit House | (JH) | W | Loyola Hall | (LH) |
| A-1 | Residence Life, Housing and Event Services | A187 | X | Arboretum Kiosk | |
| A-2 | Classroom | A185 | Y | David M. Clarke, S.J., Hall | (DCH) |
| A-3 | PT Research Lab | A186 | AA | Boettcher Commons | |
| A-6 | Restroom | A184 | | Boettcher Commons North | (CN) |
| B | St. John Francis Regis Chapel | (SRC) | | Boettcher Commons South | (CS) |
| C | St. Peter Claver, S.J., Hall | (PCH) | BB | Beach Field | (TBA) |
| F | Main Hall | (MH) | CC | Greenspace | (IF) |
| G | O'Sullivan Fine Arts Center | (FA) | DD | Softball Field | (SBL) |
| H-K | Residence Village | (RV) | EE | Baseball Field | (BBL) |
| L | West Hall | (WH) | FF | Soccer / Lacrosse Fileds | (SL) (NF) |
| M | O'Connell Hall | (OCH) | GG | Our Lady of Loretto Grotto | (GR) |
| N | Student Center | (SC) | HH | Hopkins Garden | |
| O | Carroll Hall | (CH) | II | Walking Path | |
| P | DeSmet Hall | (DH) | JJ | Prayer Garden | |
| Q | Regis Field House | (FH) | KK | Dillon Plaza | |
| R | Ranger Dome | | LL | Fortune Plaza | (FP) |
| S | Athletic Fields / Dome Restrooms | | | Lowell Perimeter | (LP) |
| T | Felix Pomponio Family Science Center | (SCI) | | Mini Quad | (MQ) |
| U | Coors Life Directions Center | (LDC) | | West Main Grotto | (WE) |
| V | Dayton Memorial Library | (DML) | MM | GTC Plaza | |
| | | | NN | Rueckert-Hartman Plaza | |

** Abbreviation used on tree tag in parenthesis

- A MAIN CAMPUS BUILDINGS
- H-K DORMS
- BB GREENS / PLAZAS / ATHLETIC FIELDS



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