



## EcoNugget

### Planting a native tree or shrub in my yard

- **Reestablishes** the original eco-system of the region and restores wildlife corridors
- **Creates nurseries** for larvae of moths, butterflies and other insects. Oaks host 500 species, Ginkgo 5, boxwood 2.
- **Feeds baby birds.** The insect larvae provides soft food for baby birds. One brood of chickadees need about 6000 caterpillars. Our bird populations are down 30% or more due to lack of habitat.
- **Provides homes and shelter** for many mammals and other wildlife
- **Provides shade:** a tree canopy can cool our yards by 5-7 degrees C and hence our homes.
- **Provides:** beauty, clean water and air, windbreaks, health benefits and more.



To learn more about native tree selection, how to plant/maintain and more, go to

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