

Heritage Trees in County Donegal

Species	Location	Height/Girth	Heritage Value	Comments
Fraxinus excelsior Ash	Guystown, Ballindrait, Co. Donegal	Height: 19 m Girth: 5.02 m	Tree with Character. Habitat value.	Burred bole on large pedestal
Populus tremula Aspen	Glenveagh Castle, Churchill, Co. Donegal	Height: 14 m Girth: 1.58 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	Charming example of a scarce native
Fagus sylvatica Beech	Glebe Gallery, Churchill, Co. Donegal	Height: 21 m Girth: 5.21 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Habitat value.	A large beech with a cavity that was filled with a brick wall over 40 years ago
Quercus petraea Sessile Oak	Glenveagh Castle, Churchill, Co. Donegal	Height: 4 m Girth: 1.67 m	Named tree. Habitat value. Forms part of an historic landscape.	This tree is known locally as 'The Black Bush' or 'An Dubh'. It is a self-sown oak growing out of the rocks.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Lifford Road, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal	Height: 25 m Girth: 4.71 m	Exceptional Specimen Trees. Genetic resource for local tree population.	Found by soccer grounds and river. New champion discovery.
Betula pendula Silver Birch	Well of Doon, Kilmacrenan, Co. Donegal	Height: 2 m Girth: 0 m	Named tree. A site of religious significance.	2 young birch rag trees; by the inauguration site of the O'Donnell's; many ailments are cured here.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Lifford Road, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal	Height: 18 m Girth: 4.52 m	Tree with Character. Genetic resource for local tree population. Association with a historic event.	Massive old elm on burial ground for victims of the great famine.

Fagus sylvatica var. heterophylla Fern Leaf Beech	Ballyloughan House, Bruckles, Co. Donegal	Height: 0 m Girth: 2.81 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Habitat value.	A particularly beautiful tall beech.
Fagus sylvatica var. heterophylla Fern Leaf Beech	Green House, Rathmelton, Co. Donegal	Height: 20 m Girth: 3.92 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	The larger of pair of beech in glorious autumn colour.
Ginkgo biloba Ginkgo/Maidenhair	Hawthorn Heights, Dunkineely, Co. Donegal	Height: 9 m Girth: 0.84 m	Unusual Location.	Described in 1933 as a small tree, appears to have grown little since which leads one to believe it could be older than would be expected.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Carrablagh, Portsalon, Co. Donegal	Height: 17 m Girth: 2.81 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value. Associated with a noted person.	This elm is growing at the home of H.C. Hart, the 19th century botanist and hillwalker.
Ilex aquifolium Holly	Glenveagh Castle, Churchill, Co. Donegal	Height: 10 m Girth: 2.2 m	Tree collection / Arboretum. Habitat value.	A great example of a native holly growing exceptionally well in the shelter of a garden.
Aesculus hippocastanum Horse Chestnut	Oakfield House Demesne, Raphoe, Co. Donegal	Height: 14 m Girth: 5.65 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Habitat value.	Extremely hollow defying gravity and logic.
Aesculus hippocastanum Horse Chestnut	Sligo Road, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal	Height: 0 m Girth: 6.23 m	Landmark Tree. Habitat value.	The massive girth of this horse chestnut is exaggerated by its low branching.

Cupressus macrocarpa 'Lutea' Monterey Cypress	Ballyconnell House, Falcarragh, Co. Donegal	Height: 19 m Girth: 6.53 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree.	A very fine specimen of the golden Monterey cypress on the edge of the wood.
Cupressus macrocarpa Monterey Cypress	Capuchin Friary, Ards, Cresslough, Co. Donegal	Height: 29 m Girth: 11.77 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	This Monterey cypress has the 3rd greatest girth of any tree in Ireland.
Pinus radiata Monterey Pine	Capuchin Friary, Ards, Cresslough, Co. Donegal	Height: 26 m Girth: 7.31 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	Monterey pine; only meters from the sea.
Sorbus aucuparia Mountain Ash/Rowan	Castlegrove House Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	Height: 12 m Girth: 2.08 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	A huge mountain ash within an old garden tree collection.
Quercus robur Pedunculate Oak	St. Senan's GFC, Ballymacool, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	Height: 24 m Girth: 5.01 m	Landmark Tree. Habitat value.	Single tree on mound.
Corylus avellana Hazel	St Colmcille's Holy Well, Corryblagh, Portsalon, Co. Donegal	Height: 3 m Girth: 0.9 m	Tree with Character. Habitat value. A tree with folklore or mythology.	St Colmcille's Holy Well with hazel ragtrees beside it.
Castanea sativa Sweet/Spanish Chestnut	Oakfield House Demesne, Raphoe, Co. Donegal	Height: 16 m Girth: 6.49 m	Tree with Character. Habitat value. Forms part of an historic landscape.	Lovely twisting bole on a burred pedestal.
Crataegus monogyna Hawthorn	Tullymore, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal	Height: 3 m Girth: 1.42 m	Arboricultural Curiosity . Habitat value. A tree with folklore or mythology.	A lone hawthorn tree growing out of exposed rock; by the N15.
Castanea sativa Sweet/Spanish Chestnut	Oakfield House Demesne, Raphoe, Co. Donegal	Height: 18 m Girth: 9.89 m	Named Tree. Habitat value. Forms part of an historic landscape.	Known as the '12 apostles'. Savagely cut back in the distant past

Trochodendron aralioides Wheel Tree	Glenveagh Castle, Churchill, Co. Donegal	Height: 8 m Girth: 1.04 m	Tree collection / Arboretum.	A beautiful example of a rare tree; found in a brilliant collection of exotics.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Ballyconnell House, Falcarragh, Co. Donegal	Height: 17 m Girth: 4.12 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Genetic resource for local tree population.	This elm has a beautiful burred stem; growing in mixed woodland.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Bridge Cottage, Mulnamina Beg, Glenties, Co. Donegal	Height: 15 m Girth: 2.97 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Genetic resource for local tree population.	A beautiful pendulous specimen of elm.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Bruckles House, Bruckles, Co. Donegal	Height: 19 m Girth: 3.68 m	Exceptional Specimen Trees. Genetic resource for local tree population.	One of many old elms that are managing to survive here.
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Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Clonmullan House, Clonmullan, Co. Donegal	Height: 19 m Girth: 3.66 m	Exceptional Specimen Trees. Genetic resource for local tree population.	This remarkable elm is one of a reasonable population that have continued to grow in the stronghold of Donegal.
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Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Clonmullan House, Clonmullan, Co. Donegal	Height: 7 m Girth: 2.45 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Genetic resource for local tree population.	This remarkable elm is one of a reasonable population that have continued to grow in the stronghold of Donegal.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Hollymount, Rathmullan, Co. Donegal	Height: 4 m Girth: 1.72 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Genetic resource for local tree population.	A beautiful, spreading, weeping elm.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Hollymount, Rathmullan, Co. Donegal	Height: 2 m Girth: 1.65 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Genetic resource for local tree population.	A beautiful, spreading, weeping elm.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Pink House, Rathmullan, Co. Donegal	Height: 13 m Girth: 3.76 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Genetic resource for local tree population.	This elm has a beautiful spreading crown. It is hollowing and has many fungal brackets.
Ulmus glabra Wych Elm	Rossylongon, Donegal, Co. Donegal	Height: 17 m Girth: 3.27 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value.	This is an impressive elm in deep woodland.
Taxus baccata Yew	Castlegrove House Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	Height: 15 m Girth: 4.87 m	Arboricultural Curiosity. Habitat value.	This splendid layered yew has many fused branches.
Taxus baccata Yew	St. Columba's Church, Drumoghill, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal	Height: 10 m Girth: 3.08 m	Exceptional Specimen Tree. Habitat value. Associated with a historic structure.	Beautiful location by church.