

Eastern White Pine- *Pinus strobus*



Maine's official tree. The pinecone and tassel are Maine's state flower. At maturity tree can stand 70-80 feet with a diameter of 1-3 feet. Needles grow in clusters of 5, three inches long; this differentiates the white pine from other pines. The cones are 4-8 inches in length. Bark on old trees is dark and ridged.

Red Pine or Norway Pine – *Pinus resinosa*



A regal tree, standing between 60-80 feet, 2-3 feet in diameter. Bark is a reddish brown; the needles are in clusters of two and are 4-6 inches long. Cones are egg shaped. The Lake Auburn area features a Red Pine Plantation which was planted around the time of the Great Depression.

Scots Pine – *Pinus sylvestris*



Scots pine is not native to Maine and the few which can be found next to Lake Auburn were probably planted by the hotel as ornamental tree. The needles are in clusters of 2. Bark near the crown is a reddish gold. Scots Pine life span is 150-300 years!

Eastern hemlock – *Tsuga Canadensis*



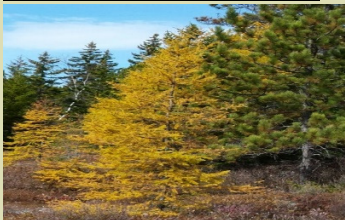
This delicate tree grows to heights of 60-70 feet. Needles are short, ranging from 1/3 -2/3" long, appear flat. Cones are very small and delicate. Delicate branches droop at the tips. Although this is a beautiful tree which may seem great for holiday trimming they dry fast and create a fire hazard.

Balsam Fir – *Abies balsamea*.



This is the familiar holiday tree. Needles are aromatic when crushed. Tree can grow to be 60-80 feet tall with cones that stand up at the tips of branches.

Tamarack or hackmatack – *Larix laricina*



Found in cool damp swampy areas. Can grow to 50-60 feet. Bark reddish in color and irregular in shape. Needles - are bright green until fall when they turn a brilliant yellow and are shed. The tamarack is the only native Maine conifer that shed its needles in the fall

Norway Spruce – *Picea abies*



The Norway Spruce close to Lake Auburn is not native to the US but came from Europe. The few on the Spring Road property were probably planted as ornamentals when the hotel was built. Norway Spruce is tall and graceful, with shiny green needles 1/2 - 1" long. Bark is reddish brown to grey; cones are 4-7" long and cylindrical in shape

Red Spruce- *Picea rubens* Sarg.



A beautiful delicate appearing tree with reddish bark. The Red Spruce can attain a height of 60-80 feet. Needles are very sharp to touch! Cones are oblong in shape and about 1.5-2 "

White Spruce (Cat Spruce) – *Picea glauca*



Although this appears to be a beautiful holiday tree, be warned that crushed needles have a distinct odor of cat.