

field to woodland. The edge created by two contrasting landscapes, the lawn landscape versus the woodland landscape, is referred to as the ecotone, and is attractive to people and wildlife for its rich diversity of plant species. Other areas through the park which are scattered with trees in upland areas are typically the areas proposed for woodland landscapes.

These woodland areas will be relatively open with pathways which encourage nature walks. These will be ideal areas for picnic tables, shaded in the summer and protected from the wind in the winter. The woodland will give the lawn areas a definite boundary yet will not enclose these spaces as the denser forest vegetation will.

Species recommended to plant in the Woodland:

Primary Species

Companion Plants

Shortleaf Pine
Loblolly Pine
Virginia Pine
Eastern Red Cedar
Sycamore
Blackgum
Post Oak
Sweetgum
Hickory
Sassafras
Fringetree
Dogwood
Eastern Persimmon
Serviceberry
Redbud

Sparkleberry ——— American Beautyberry
 ——— Pines
 ——— Dogwood

Partridge Berry
Southern Shield Fern
Goldenrod

The Forest

The forest is found on uplands and has matured beyond the open woodland into a diverse wood with a distinctive layering system. Overhead are large hardwoods, predominately oaks, below are under-story trees, varying heights of shrubs, and a groundcover layer with masses of ferns and other herbaceous species.