Pilgrim Park Community Orchard

Edible Landscapes Permit Proposal By Sam Douglass and Alex Tanke

How Did We Get Here?

Neighborhood Planting Project (NPP)

- Began distributing plants in spring 2019 in Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood
- Expanding to the Prairie Hills Neighborhood for 2020
- Will distribute over 2,000 perennial plants



Prairie Hills Neighborhood

Overview

- Neighborhood structure leads to diversity in income
- Near to Food Access Improvement area
- Many parks within and nearby

Nearby Youth Groups

- Wisconsin Youth Company at Elver Park Community Center
- Lussier Community Education Center
- Teresa Terrace Neighborhood Center
- Two Elementary Schools





Overview

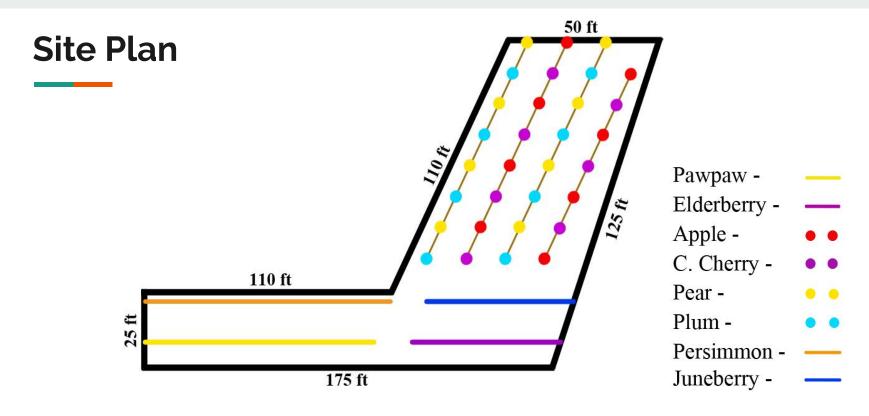
 Location: Pilgrim Park in low mow, non-turf field near drainage way. Suggested in conversation with George R.

• **Size:** 0.49 acres 21,168 sqft

 Mature Production: 2,880 apples 1,600 pears 2,100 plums 5,134 from other species

• Planting Time: April 2020





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Site Plan



Pawpaw Elderberry Apple C. Cherry Pear Plum Persimmon Juneberry -

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Food Production Seasonality

Species	Years to Fruit	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Serviceberry	4						
Pear	4						
C. Cherry	4						
Elderberry	2						
American Plum	5						
Pawpaw	7						
Apple	4						
A. Persimmon	7						

Production at Maturity

Species	0011111901		Total Servings	Comment				
Serviceberry	12	12	144	3 lbs/plant = 4 pints = 12 servings				
Pear	200	8	1600	90 lbs/plant = 270 fruit/servings				
Cornelian Cherry	120	8	960	30 lbs/plant = 120 servings				
Elderberry	48	15	720	12 lbs/plant = 48 servings				
Plum/Peach	300	7	2100	100 lbs/plant = 300 servings				
Pawpaw	100	10	1000	50 lbs/plant = 100 servings				
Apple	360	8	2880	120 lbs/plant=360 servings				
Persimmon	210	11	2310	70 lbs/plant = 210 servings				
			11714	Total Servings/Year				
			96	Servings/Day Over 120 Day Season				

Maintenance

Annual Maintenance Schedule												
Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pruning												
Grafting												
Planting												
Watering												
Pest Management												
Compost Spreading												
Mulching												
Weeding/Culling												

Maintenance Performed by:

The Neighborhood Planting Project
The Great Turning Catholic Workers
Friends of Pilgrim Park Community Orchard
Greenhouse Learning Community at UW-Madison

Project Culture

Public Meetings
Public online discussion at Friends of Pilgrim Park Community Orchard
Community work days and harvest days
Free harvest

We will continue:

- Consulting with neighbors and community leaders
- Understanding that fruit and nuts are not an alternative to grocery stores, food pantries, or a solution to food insecurity
- Providing factual information about flavor, seasonality, and history rather than pretending we are nutritionists

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