

The International Larix (larch) Arboretum was dedicated October 7, 1992 as part of an International Larix Symposium on a 1.2-acre site, next to the headquarters of the Coram Experimental Forest and near the Hungry Horse Ranger Station, Hungry Horse, Montana.

Ten species of Larix from North America, Asia, and Europe, along with subspecies and hybrids were planted. This arboretum will not only provide a visual demonstration of Larix but is designed to provide opportunities for species comparisons and genetics research.



The arboretum is divided into three equal-sized blocks, about 70 ft by 230 feet. Within each block *Larix* seedlings are randomly planted every five feet in rows ten feet apart. The design calls for 12 trees of each species, subspecies, and hybrids in each of the three blocks for a total of nearly 600 trees. The species, subspecies, and hybrids that were planted are:

Ten commonly recognized <i>Larix</i> species			
Latin name	Common name	General location	Ecological zones
<i>Larix lyallii</i>	Alpine larch	Rocky and Cascade Mountains of U.S. and Canada	Upper subalpine to timberline ecotone
<i>Larix laricina</i>	Tamarack	Northeastern and Lake States and Alaska in U.S. and a wide belt completely across Canada	Mainly boreal
<i>Larix russica</i>	Siberian larch	A wide belt in northern Russia and in Mongolia	Boreal to northern timberline
<i>Larix gmelinii</i>	Asian larch	Eurasia east of the Siberian larch range	Subalpine to northern timberline
<i>Larix mastersiana</i>	Masters larch	Mountain areas in south China	Upper montane to lower subalpine
<i>Larix griffithiana</i>	Sikkim larch	Himalayas in Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet and south China	High subalpine
<i>Larix potaninii</i>	Chinese larch	Western China	High subalpine
<i>Larix Leptolepis</i>	Japanese larch	Honshu, Japan	Subalpine
<i>Larix decidua</i>	European larch	Alps area in France, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, Yugoslavia, Germany with scattered areas in Romania, Czechoslovakia, and Poland	Subalpine

Larix subspecies	
Latin name	Common name
<i>Larix decidua</i> , spp <i>polonica</i>	Polish larch
<i>Larix decidua</i> , spp <i>sudetica</i>	Sudetic larch
<i>Larix gmelinii</i> , spp. <i>Olgensis</i>	Olga Bay larch

Larix Hybrids		
Latin name	Common name	Comments
<i>Larix x eurolepis</i>	Dunkeld larch	<i>Larix deciduas</i> [pollen], <i>Larix leptolepis</i>
<i>Larix x occilyal</i>	Bitterroot larch	<i>Larix occidentalis</i> [pollen], <i>Larix lyallii</i>
<i>Larix x lyalocci</i>	Bitterroot larch	<i>Larix lyallii</i> [pollen], <i>Larix occidentalis</i>