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What else can I put there?

In the past couple of years I have had some of you ask, what else I could add to my landscape job that would be a standout tree?



First thing that comes to my mind is something that has a flower. Second, is something that would give a year round or close to it - appeal. Lastly, from my time doing installs, what would bring the client outside to really take in that new patio?

First I'd like to talk about Amelanchier 'Autumn Brilliance', which I might add seem to be flying out the doors this season. They have lovely white flowers in early spring,

and by late spring they bear colorful berries that are edible and tasty. Fall brings another blast of color as the leaves change to orange, red and yellow before they drop.

Another great idea would be some of the potted trees we have been able to get in this year. Two examples are Pyrus sp. 'Kieffer' and Malus sp. 'Luna'. 'Kieffer' Pear has a white flower like



'Cleveland' and 'Bradford'. The fruit is a golden-yellow color and ripens around mid-September to mid-October. It is self-fruitful so you only need to plant one.

On to the Luna apple, it is a compact variety that would fit into a smaller sized area that you might have. The mature size is about 10' x 10'. The apples are yellow and very juicy, and you do need another variety to pollinate it.



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