

Approved 2012

## Points of Interest

**Owner:** Earl Bruck

**Location:** SW 35th Dr.,  
Wilsonville

**Species:** Port Orford  
(*Chamaecyparis lawsoniana*)

**Age:** Approx. 72 years

**Height:** 45 feet

**Canopy:** 30 feet

**Diameter:** 39 inches

**Circumference:**  
10 feet, 7 inches

**Health:** Good

## Significant Features

A healthy specimen in the local area.

## Bruck Property

### Port Orford Cedar

This Port Orford Cedar tree is notable. It was planted in 1940 by the Bruck family and has become a recognizable feature in the area.

The tree species is native to southwest Oregon and northwest California. It was first discovered near Port Orford, Oregon, and cultivated in 1854 by collectors from the Lawson & Son Nursery in Edinburgh, Scotland. Thereafter, it was named a Lawson's Cypress by botanist Andrew Murray.

However, it is officially called Port Orford Cedar in the Northwest and by the US Department of Agriculture.

The species is a large evergreen conifer tree that at full maturity can grow to a height of 200 feet with a trunk size that can reach up to 4 to 6 feet in diameter.

The largest Port Orford Cedar tree in the world is located in Powers, Oregon. It towers to 232 feet with a circumference of 43.5 feet and a canopy of 35 feet.

The Bruck tree is a fairly young specimen, not yet towering to its full capability. However, its canopy spans as wide as it usually does at full maturity. It creates a significant presence in the rural community.

This Port Orford Cedar tree is nominated and approved under the Heritage Tree categories of specimen and landmark.

