

Best Practices Around the World: Tiny Forests

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- What is a forest?
- The challenge of increasing canopy coverage
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- Preserving the dynamic of a Tiny Forest
- Conclusion

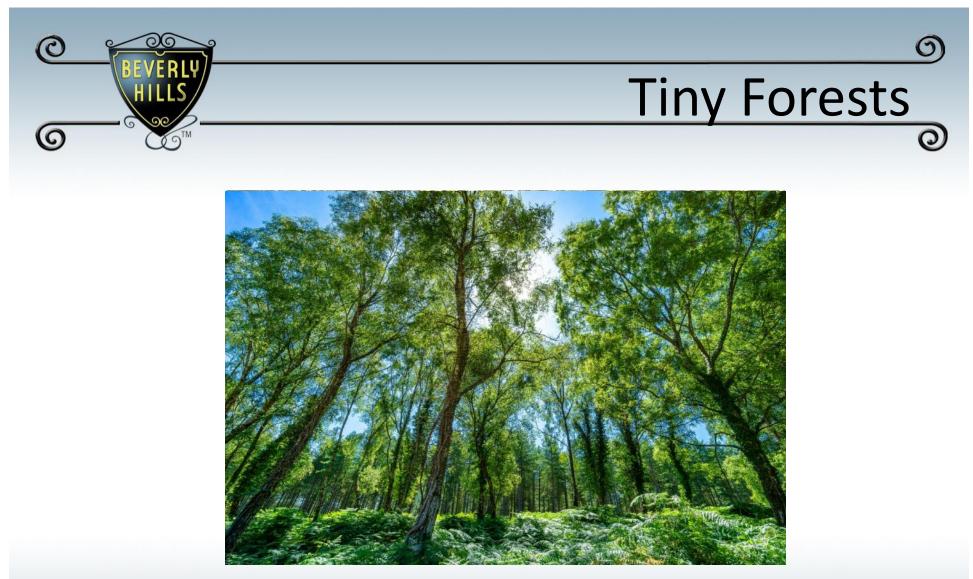


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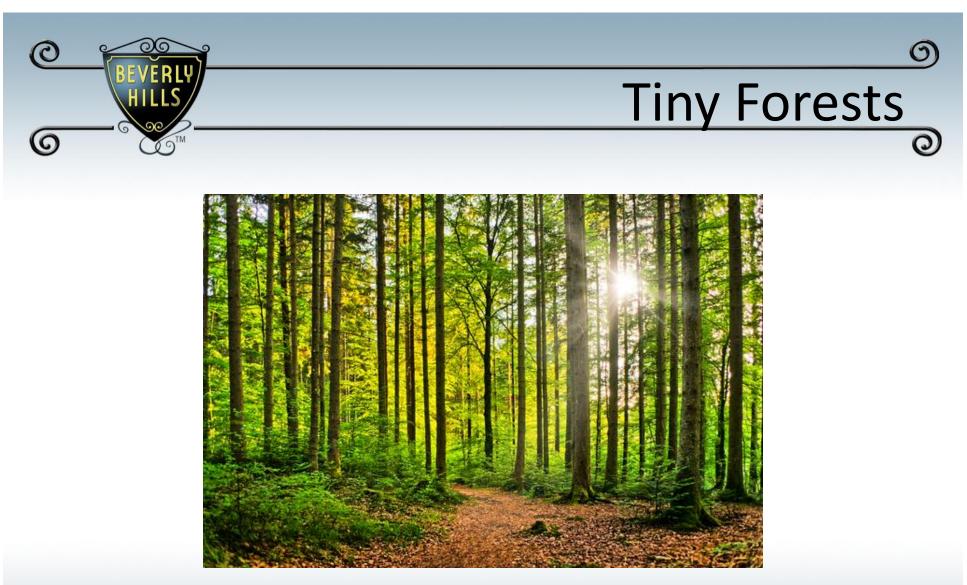


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What a "forest" is not





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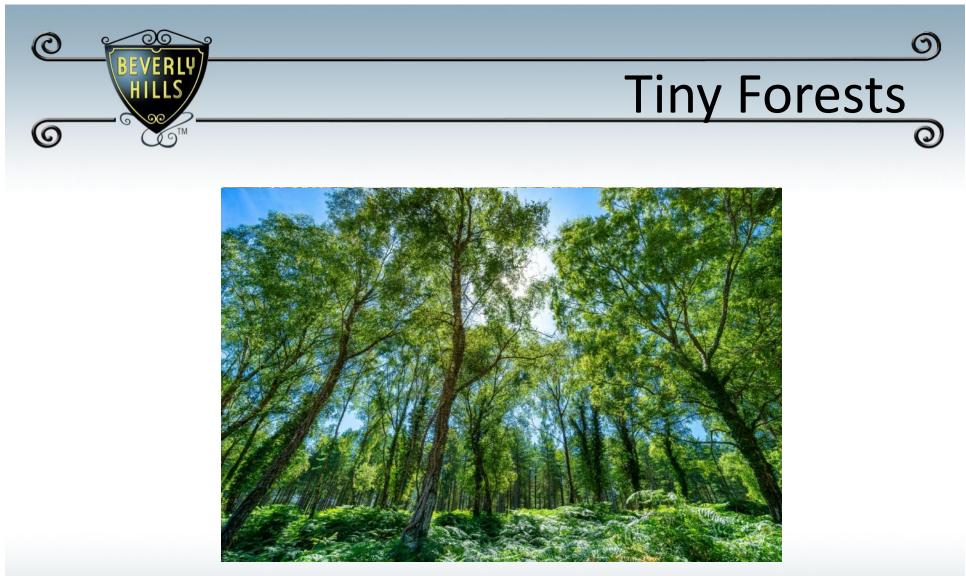


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Tiny Forests: introducing the forest concept into small spaces



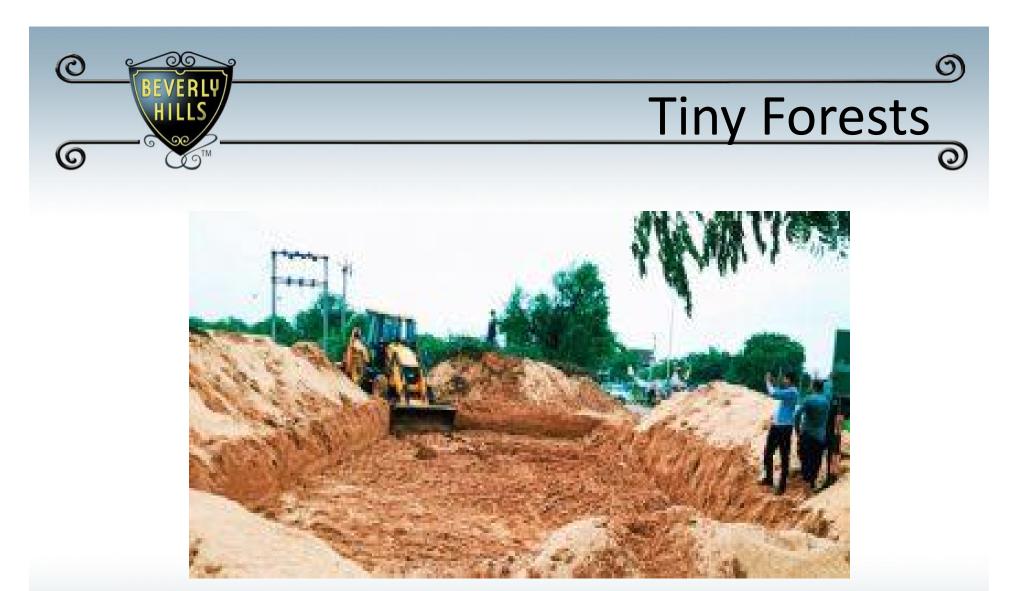
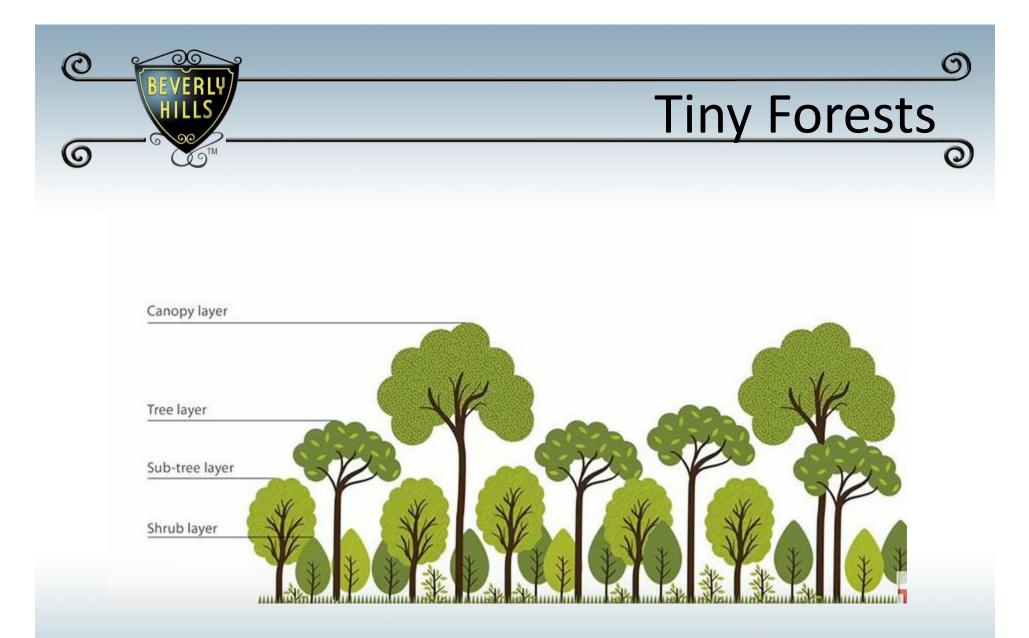


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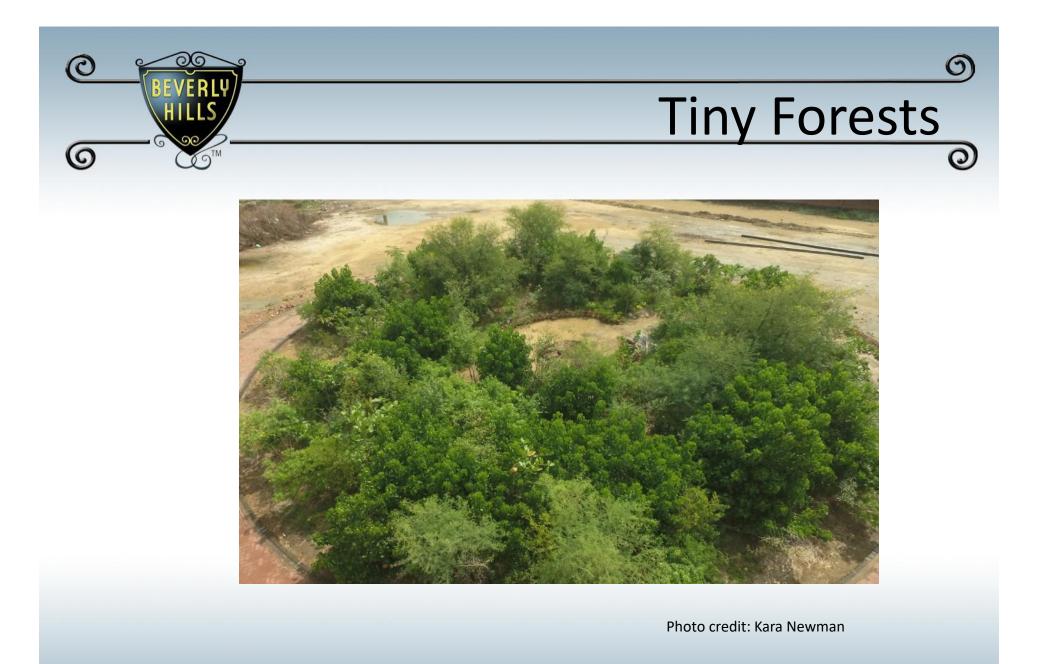
Soil preparation



Maximizing three dimensional canopy



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- Is at least 15 feet wide
- Soil has been modified and amended properly
- Has at least 25 different tree species
- Contains only native trees and shrubs
- Has 3-5 trees per square meter
- Space provided is undisturbed for at least 10 years
- Branches, leaves and dead trees are allowed to lie where they have fallen
- Has a layer of mulch at least 6 inches deep
- Is enclosed by a fence for the first two years to protect the young trees

Preserving the dynamic of a Tiny Forest



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