

L.A.U.S.D. APPROVED TREE LIST

Botanical Name	Common Name	CA Native	Deciduous, Evergreen, Semi	Height x Width (feet)	L.A. City Parkway Size (feet)	L.A. Sunset Climate Zones	Water Use: LA Basin Climate Zones 22-24	Water Use: Inland Climate Zones 18-21	Sun Needs	Soil Needs	Root Damage Potential	Allergy Potential (1 Low to 10 High)	Branch Strength	Notes
<i>Acacia stenophylla</i>	Shoestring acacia		E	20-40 x 15-25	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	10	W	Tolerates seasonal flooding. Heavy leaf litter. Light shade.
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	Big leaf maple	x	D	30-70 x 30-50	8+	18-24	M	H	S-Sh	L,S	H	8	M	10-12" leaves, yellow-brown in fall. Thrives in cool, moist locations.
<i>Afrocarpus falcatus</i> (<i>Podocarpus gracillior</i>)	Fern pine		E	40-60 x 25-40	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	m9, f1	M	Very little leaf litter. Pest and disease free. Prefers moist soil.
<i>Agonis flexuosa</i>	Peppermint tree		E	25-40 x 25-40	4-6	19-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	6	S	Peppermint-scent weeping leaves. White flowers. Likes moist sandy soil.
<i>Agonis flexuosa</i> 'Jervis Bay After Dark'	After Dark peppermint tree		E	15-20 x 10-15	4-6	19-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L-M	6	S	Dark purple leaves that are more narrow than <i>A. flexuosa</i> ; red stems.
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	Silk tree		D	20-40 x 20-50	4-6	18-23	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	8	W	Pink, fluffy flowers; ferny leaves; umbrella canopy. Likes summer heat.
<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i> (<i>Casuarina stricta</i>)	Drooping she-oak, Coast beefwood		E	20-35 x 20-35	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	10	M	Looks like a pine. Small brown cones are litter issue.
<i>Alnus rhombifolia</i>	White alder	x	D	50 x 30	8+	18-21	H	H	S-P	C,L,S	H	9	M	Tolerates heat and wind. Short-lived tree (45 years). Native to wet areas.
<i>Arbutus</i> 'Marina'	Marina strawberry tree		E	20-40 x 15-30	-	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	3	S	Mahogany peeling bark. Pink flowers. Red edible fruit. Multi; single trunk.
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry tree		E	10-30 x 10-30	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	3	S	Shaggy bark. White flowers. Red edible fruit. Multi-trunk.
<i>Bauhinia x blakeana</i>	Hong Kong orchid tree		S	15-25 x 15-30	3-4	19-24	M	M	S-P	WD L,S	L	4	M W	Fragrant, pink 5-6" flowers winter-spring. No pods. Leaves 2-lobed. Semi-deciduous at bloom. Train/prune early.
<i>Bauhinia variegata</i> (<i>B. purpurea</i>)	Purple orchid tree		S	20-35 x 20-35	3-4	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD L,S	L	4	M	Fragrant, pink 3-4" variegated flowers winter-spring. Semi-deciduous at bloom. Leaves 2-lobed. Train early.
<i>Brachychiton acerifolius</i>	Australian flame tree		D	30-65 x 20-30	-	18-24	L	M	S-P	L,S	M	3	M W	Red spring flowers. Deciduous at bloom. Different shaped leaves, lobed. Woody seedpods.

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<i>Brachychiton rupestris</i>	Narrow-leaf bottle tree		D	20-25 x 20-30	-	19-24	L	L	S	C,L,S	M	4	M W	Bottle-shaped trunk. Cream and red flowers before leaves. Woody seed pods. Drought deciduous.
<i>Callistemon viminalis</i>	Weeping bottle brush	SEE MELALEUCA VIMINALIS												
<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>	Incense cedar	x	E	70-90 x 20-40	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	8	M	Slow growth when young. Fragrant leaf. Columnar.
<i>Cassia leptophylla</i>	Gold medallion tree		S	20-25 x 20-40	4-6	20-24	M	M	S	WD L,S	L	6	M W	Yellow flowers summer-fall. 16" seed pods used as musical shakers.
<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>	River she-oak		E	70 x 20-40	6-8	18-24	L	L	S-P	L,S	L	m10, f1	M	Looks like pine. Salt/smog tolerant. Males-pollen. Females-lots of cones.
<i>Catalpa bignonioides</i>	Common catalpa, Indian bean tree		D	30-40 x 15-40	6-8	18-24	M	M	S- Sh	C,L,S	M	8	M	On the Cal-IPC invasive plant list. Not readily available.
<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	Western catalpa		D	40-60 x 30-60	6-8'	18-24	M	M	S- Sh	C,L,S	M	8	M	Heart-shaped 7" leaves. White showy flowers early summer. 7-14" seed pods in fall. Slow to leaf out. Hard to find.
<i>Cedrus atlantica</i>	Atlas cedar		E	50-60 x 40-50	8+	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	2	M	Stiff, short green, 1" needles and stiff branches. Fragrant leaf and bark. Upright cones fall apart on tree.
<i>Cedrus atlantica</i> 'Glauca'	Blue atlas cedar		E	50-60 x 40-50	8+	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	2	M	Short, silver-blue, 1" needles and stiff branches. Fragrant leaf and bark.
<i>Cedrus deodara</i>	Deodar cedar		E	60-80 x 40	8+	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	m5, f1 b3	M	Tall and wide conifer. Needles 1-2". Leader droops. Branches sweep low.
<i>Cedrus libani</i>	Cedar of Lebanon		E	80-100 x 80-100	8+	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	2	M	Tallest true cedar. Grey-green 3/4" needles. Upright cones.
<i>Celtis reticulata</i>	Western or Net-leaf hackberry	x	D	20-30 x 20-35	4-6	18-24	L	VL	S-P	L,S	L	8	M	Small red winter fruits for birds. Bush, but prune to tree form. Best inland.
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob tree		E	30-40 x 30-40	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	H	m8 f1	M	Females - edible pods in summer. Pungent spring to fall flowers. Best with some summer water.

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<i>Cercis occidentalis</i>	Western redbud	x	D	15-20 x 15-20	3-4	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	5	M	Late winter magenta flowers and seed pods. Yellow fall color. Multi-trunk.
<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>	Desert willow	x	D	15-30 x 15-30	4-6	18-23	VL	L	S-P	L,S	L	5	M	Fragrant pink to white trumpet-shaped flowers. Usually multi-trunk.
<i>Chionanthus retusus</i>	Chinese fringe tree		D	20 x 20	4-6	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L	L	m10, f1	M	Fragrant, showy, many-petaled white spring flowers. Clean looking. Slow.
<i>x Chitalpa tashkentensis</i>	Chitalpa	x	D	20-30 x 20-30	4-6	18-24	L	L	S-P	L,S	L	6	M W	Pink trumpet-shaped flowers. Narrow 5" leaves. Prune early to train.
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	Camphor tree		E	50-65 x 65+	8+	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	H	8	S	Massive. Above ground roots. Bright yellow-green, camphor-scented leaves. Does best in moist, rich, loam.
<i>x Cupressocyparis leylandii</i>	Leyland cypress		E	50-70 x 25-30	-	20-24	M	-	S-P	C,L,S	M	8	W M	Grows 5'/yr when young. Susceptible to cypress canker and blow over. Grows best in rich soil, regular water.
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian cypress (e.g. 'Stricta', 'Glauca')		E	60 x 5-10	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	10	M	Tall skinny evergreens. 'Stricta' is the most narrow, 'Glauca' is blue-green.
<i>Eriobotrya deflexa</i>	Bronze loquat		E	25 x 25	3-4	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	3	M	Thick, glossy 8-10" serrated leaves. White flowers and small, inedible fruit.
<i>Fraxinus dipetala</i>	Foothill ash	x	D	15-20 x 10-15	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	4	M S	Drought deciduous. Fragrant white flowers. Native to N slopes/ canyons. Good for habitat. Needs winter water.
<i>Fraxinus oxycarpa</i> 'Raywood' (<i>F. angustifolia</i> 'Raywood')	Raywood ash		D	25-35 x 25	-	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	1	M	Seedless female. Upright branches - watch for included bark. Fine-textured leaves turn burgundy in fall.
<i>Geijera parviflora</i>	Australian willow		E	25-35 x 20-25	6-8	18-24	L	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	6	M	Willow-like thick leaves and pendulous branches. Pest free. Slow growing.
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> (male only cultivars)	Ginkgo (Saratoga, Fairmount)		D	35-80 x 20-60	4-6	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	m7, f2	S	Fruit of females smells; plant only males. Yellow fall color. Long-lived.
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos inermis</i>	Honey locust (thornless)		D	35-70 x 25-40	4-6	18-20	M	L	S-P	L,S	M	m7 f1 b4	M	Yellow flowers. Leafs out late. Produces light shade.

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<i>Hakea laurina</i>	pincushion hakea		E	20-25 x 20-25	-	19-24	L	L	S	WD C,L,S	L	5	M	Pink and cream flowers attract bees, butterflies and birds. 3-6" leaves. Small woody pods. Prune to tree form.
<i>Handroanthus chrysotrichus</i> (<i>Tabebuia chrysotricha</i>)	Golden trumpet tree		D	20-30 x 20-30	3-4	20-24	M	M	S-P	L,S	M	5	M W	Fuzzy leaves and seed pods. Yellow flowers before the leaves emerge. Slow growth if given inadequate care or poor drainage. Prefers moist soil.
<i>Handroanthus impetiginosus</i> (<i>Tabebuia impetiginosa</i>)	Purple trumpet tree, Pink trumpet tree		D	25-50 x 30-40	3-4	20-24	M	M	S	WD C,L,S	L	5	M W	Pink flowers before the leaves emerge. Slow growth if given inadequate care or poor drainage.
<i>Harpephyllum caffrum</i>	Kaffir plum		E	25-40 x 25-40	6-8	19,21-24	M	M	S-P	L,S	L	m9, f4	M	Female trees have edible red fruits. Fallen fruit is an issue.
<i>Hesperocyparis (Cupressus) arizonica</i>	Arizona or Cuyamaca cypress	x	E	35-50 x 20-30	6-8	18-24	VL	VL	S	WD L,S	L	10	M	Blue-green to yellow-green foliage and shredded red-brown bark. Upright or pyramidal form. Best inland.
<i>Hesperocyparis (Cupressus) forbesii</i>	Tecate cypress	x	E	10-20 x 10-20	-	18-24	VL	VL	S	WD C,L,S	M	10	S	Light to grey green leaves; dense columnar habit. Red, flaking bark. No water after establishment. Best inland.
<i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i>	Toyon	x	E	12-25 x 12-20	-	18-24	VL	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	3	M	Large shrub or small tree, great for wildlife. Serrated leaves, white spring flowers, red winter berries.
<i>Hymenosporum flavum</i>	Sweetshade		E	40 x 15-20	3-4	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD L,S	L	3	W	Yellow fragrant flowers spring-summer. Moist soil. Difficult to establish.
<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Jacaranda		S	25-50 x 25-40	6-8	18-24	M	M	S	L,S	L	4	W	Lavender spring flowers and ferny leaves. Needs heat to bloom.
<i>Juglans californica</i> (<i>J.c. californica</i>)	Southern California black walnut	x	D	20-35 x 20-40	-	18-24	L	L	S-P	L,S	M	9	M	Great for wildlife habitat. The small, hard, edible walnuts ripen by late fall.
<i>Juniperus chinensis</i> 'Torulosa'	Hollywood juniper		E	15 x 10	-	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	m10 f1 b9	M S	Twisted branches. Males are highly allergenic. Use females only.

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<i>Juniperus scopulorum</i> and cultivars	Rocky Mountain juniper (Females)		E	25-40 x 10-15	-	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	m10 f1 b9	M	Blue-green to grey leaves. Admiral, Blue Haven, Blue Moon, Cologreen, Welchi, Gracilis, Platinum Spearmint.
<i>Koelreuteria bipinnata</i>	Chinese flame tree		D	20-40 x 20-40	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	4	M	Yellow summer flowers. Salmon papery seed pods. Red-orange fall color. Umbrella canopy. Takes a few years to form branches.
<i>Lagerstroemia hybrids</i> (Indian series)	Crape myrtle		D	15-25 x 18-25	3-4	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	5	M	Bright orange fall color. Magenta, pink, purple, red and white flowers. Smooth red and tan bark. Multi or single trunk. 'Natchez', 'Tonto', 'Tuskegee', etc.
<i>Lagerstroemia hybrids</i>	Crape myrtle (shorter Indian series)		D	8-15 x 5-18	3-4	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	5	M	See above description. 'Acoma', 'Comanche', 'Hopi', 'Lipan', 'Pecos', 'Sioux', 'Yuma', 'Zuni'.
<i>Laurus nobilis</i> and cultivars	Sweet bay (e.g. 'Saratoga')		E	15-25 x 20-30	4-6	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L-M	m9, f2	M	Multi-trunk/suckers. Dense screen. Leaves used for cooking. 'Saratoga' - lowest water use, no fruit, single trunk and psyllid resistant.
<i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i>	Australian tea tree		E	10-30 x 10-30	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD L,S	L	4	S	Showy white flowers in spring. Multi to single trunk. Rugged bark that twists up the trunk. Best near the coast.
<i>Lophostemon confertus</i> (<i>Tristania conferta</i>)	Brisbane box		E	30-60 x 20-40	4-6	19-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	5	M	White feathery flowers. Red peeling bark. Taller than wide. Fast, needs a longer staked period.
<i>Lyonothamnus floribundus</i>	Catalina ironwood	x	E	20-35 x 15	4-6	19-24	L	L	S-P	WD L,S	M	4	S	Red peeling bark; white clusters of flowers. Very tolerant of salt spray. Best at the coast.
<i>Lyonothamnus floribundus</i> ssp. <i>asplenifolius</i>	Santa Cruz Island ironwood; Catalina femleaf ironwood	x	E	20-35 x 15	4-6	19-24	L	L	S-P	WD L,S	M	4	S	Scalloped edge leaf. This subspecies is popular. Native to Santa Cruz island, not Catalina island.

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<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> and cultivars	Southern magnolia		E	60-80 x 40-60	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD L,S	H	5	M	Large white fragrant flowers. Best in hot climates and areas with regular water. Xylella susceptible.
<i>Magnolia x soulangiana</i> and cultivars	Saucer magnolia (e.g. Alba, Alexandrina, Lennei,		D	20-25 x 25-40	NA	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	6	M	Fragrant pink flowers. Prefers loose, fertile, moist soil and full sun. Multi-trunk or low branching. Great accent.
<i>Magnolia stellata</i>	Star magnolia		D	10 x 20	NA	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	6	M	Low-branching or multi-trunk. Many long white (or pink) petals, very showy. Best in full sun, lots of water.
<i>Maytenus boaria</i>	Mayten tree		E	30-50 x 40	NA	18-21	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	M	7	M	Weeping, rounded crown. Regular water. Suckers if roots are damaged.
<i>Melaleuca linariifolia</i>	Flaxleaf or Narrow-leaved paperbark		E	30 x 30	4-6	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	7	M	White fragrant summer flowers. White peeling/flaking bark. Small, narrow leaves.
<i>Melaleuca nesophila</i>	Pink melaleuca		E	10-18 x 15-20	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	7	M	Pink bottlebrush flowers. Large shrub/ small tree. Salt spray, Valley heat ok.
<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>	Cajeput tree	SEE MELALEUCA VIRIDIFLORA VAR. RUBIFOLIA												
<i>Melaleuca viminalis</i> (<i>Callistemon viminalis</i>)	Weeping bottle brush		E	20-30 x 20-25	3-4	18-24	L	M	S	C,L,S	L	9	M	Multi or single trunk. Weeping. Red bottlebrush flowers > birds, butterflies.
<i>Melaleuca viridiflora</i> var. <i>rubifolia</i> (<i>quinquenervia</i>)	Cajeput tree		E	20-40 x 15-30	4-6	20-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	7	M	Weeping branches. White spongy bark; white bottlebrush flowers summer-fall.
<i>Metrosideros excelsus</i>	New Zealand Christmas tree		E	20-30 x 10-35	3-4	23-24	M	M	S-P	L,S	M	6	M	Red bottlebrush winter flowers. Grey-green leaves. Aerial roots on branches.
<i>Morus alba</i> 'Fruitless'	Fruitless mulberry		D	30-50 x 30-50	NA	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	H	10	W	High root damage and allergy potential! Weak branches. Sap causes dermatitis.
<i>Morus alba</i> 'Chaparral'	Chaparral fruitless mulberry		D	8-12 x 10-15	NA	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	10	W	Small weeping, fruitless cultivar, but still allergenic with weak branches.
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Fruitless olive only (e.g.. Swan Hill)		E	35 x 35	6-8	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	m10, Hill 1	S	Grey-green linear leaves. Low branching to vase-shaped tree. Swan Hill has no pollen and little to no fruit.

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<i>Parkinsonia</i> x 'Desert Museum'	Parkinsonia x 'Desert Museum'		D	20-30 x 20-25	NA	18-24	VL	L	S	WD L,S	L	6	M	Thornless. Yellow spring flowers. Re-blooms in summer with summer water. Lime green bark. Few pods.
<i>Pinus brutia</i> var. <i>eldarica</i>	Afghan pine	SEE PINUS ELDARICA												
<i>Pinus canariensis</i>	Canary island pine		E	65-80 x 30-40	6-8	18-24	L	M	S-P	L,S	M	4	M	Tall, narrow. 9 - 12" weeping needles; 4 - 9" cones. Branches on low trunk.
<i>Pinus coulteri</i>	Coulter pine	x	E	30-60 x 25-40	NA	18-23	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	4	M	Huge 12" heavy cones! Place where no traffic under the canopy.
<i>Pinus edulis</i>	Piñon pine, Colorado piñon	x	E	15-30 x 8-18	NA	18-21	VL	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	4	S	Extremely slow. Low branching, spreading tree. Edible pine nuts.
<i>Pinus eldarica</i> (<i>P. brutia eldarica</i>)	Afghan pine		E	30-65 x 25-40	6-8	18-24	VL	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	4	M	Dark green 5 - 7" needles, 2/bundle. Good at coast/inland. Pyramid shape.
<i>Pinus halepensis</i>	Aleppo pine		E	30-65 x 20-45	6-8	18-23	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	M	4	S	Light green 2.5 - 4" needles in bundles of two, sparsely arranged.
<i>Pinus monophylla</i>	Single leaf piñon pine	x	E	10-25 x 10-15	NA	18-24	VL	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	4	M	Edible nuts. Single stout 2.5" blue-green to grey-green needles. Extremely slow.
<i>Pinus montezumae</i>	Montezuma pine		E	50-65 x 20-40	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	L,S	M	4	M	Slender 1' cones. Weeping 15" needles vary in thickness.
<i>Pinus thunbergiana</i> 'Majestic Beauty'	Majestic Beauty Japanese black pine		E	20-80 x 15-40	NA	18-21	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	4	S	Dark green 4.5" stiff needles. Bright white long candles. 1.5 - 3" cones.
<i>Pinus torreyana</i>	Torrey pine	x	E	40-60 x 15-30	6-8	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	4	M	Grey-green 8-13" needles. Not dense. Native to San Diego coast. Ok inland.
<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Chinese pistache		D	30-60 x 40-50	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	m8, f1	S	Brilliant scarlet and orange fall color. Summer-fall fruit is red and turns blue.
<i>Pittosporum angustifolium</i> (<i>P. phillyraeoides</i>)	Weeping pittosporum		E	12-25 x 10-15	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	5	M	Pendulous branches, leaves. Fragrant creamy yellow flowers winter to spring. Sticky seeds. Slow.
<i>Pittosporum eugenoides</i>	Tarata, Lemonwood tree		E	20-40 x 10-15	NA	19-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	5	M	Dense, upright tree. White fragrant flowers winter-spring. Sticky seeds.

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<i>Platanus racemosa</i>	Western or CA sycamore	x	D	30-80 x 20-60	6-8	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	9	M	More drought tolerant with age. Fuzz on leaves irritates eyes, throat, skin.
<i>Podocarpus henkelii</i>	Longleaf yellow wood		E	30-50 x 15-20	NA	18-24	M	M	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	m9, f1	M	Long leaves and drooping foliage. Erect narrow tree.
<i>Podocarpus macrophyllus</i>	Yew pine		E	15-50 x 6-15	4-6	18-24	M	M	P	WD C,L,S	L	m9, f1	M	Similar to <i>Afrocarpus falcatus</i> , but more heat and drought tolerant and with wider and longer leaves.
<i>Prosopis alba</i> 'Colorado'	Argentine mesquite		S	25-40 x 25-40	NA	18-24	L	L	S	L,S	L	9	M	Makes light shade. Best away from the coast. Thornless.
<i>Prosopis glandulosa</i> (chilensis)	Chilean mesquite		E-S	20-30 x 20-30	NA	18-24	L	L	S	L,S	L	9	M	Some have thorns, others not. Best away from the coast.
<i>Prosopis</i> 'Phoenix'	Phoenix mesquite		S	25-35 x 25-35	NA	18-24	L	L	S	L,S	L	9	M	Thornless. Deep, strong roots prevent blow-over. Best away from the coast.
<i>Prunus caroliniana</i>	Carolina laurel cherry		E	15-35 x 15-35	4-6	18-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	7	M	White flowers winter-spring. Shiny green leaves. Fruit is a litter issue.
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i> (Purple leaf cultivars)	Purple leaf plum		D	See notes	3-4	18-22	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	L	3	M	Purple Pony - 10-12' x 12'; no fruit. Krauter Vesuvius - 18' x 12'; little-no fruit. Newport - 15-20' x 20'; some fruit.
<i>Prunus ilicifolia</i> ssp. <i>lyonii</i>	Catalina cherry	x	E	15-25 x 10-15	4-6	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	7	M	Edible fruit. Hybridizes with <i>P. i.</i> ssp. <i>ilicifolia</i> ; do not plant near wild areas.
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Aristocrat'	Ornamental pear		D	35-45 x 30-35	3-4	18-22	M	M	S	C,L,S	M	4	M	Fire Blight disease issue. Produces inedible fruit. Invasive near wildlands.
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Chanticleer'	Ornamental pear		D	35-40 x 15-20	3-4	18-22	M	M	S	C,L,S	M	4	M	Branch breakage. Produces inedible fruit. Invasive near wildlands.
<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	Coast live oak	x	E	20-70 x 30-85	8+	18-24	VL	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	M-H	9	S	Dark green, holly-like leaves. Only water in summer if stressed.
<i>Quercus chrysolepis</i>	Canyon live oak	x	E	45-70 x 30-40	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	M	9	S	Dark green flat leaves, fuzzy white under. Leaf margin smooth or toothed. Only water in summer if stressed.

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<i>Quercus douglasii</i>	Blue oak	x	D	20-50 x 20-50	NA	18-24	VL	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	8	S	Blue-green, wavy-edged leaves. Drought or fall deciduous. Very slow.
<i>Quercus durata</i>	Leather oak	x	E	5-20 x 10-20	NA	19-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L	L	9	S	Low canopy. Smooth-edged or toothed and convex leaves, white-grey under.
<i>Quercus engelmannii</i>	Engelmann oak	x	S	50-65 x 40	6-8'	18-21	VL	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	M	9	S	For inland only. Broad, dense canopy. Massive tree.
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holly oak		E	65 x 65	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	9	S	Leaves are dark green on top, white underneath. Often umbrella-shaped.
<i>Quercus lobata</i>	Valley oak	x	D	50-75 x 80	8+	18-24	M	M	S-P	L,S	M	8	M-S	The largest CA oak. Lobed leaves and big acorns.
<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork oak		E	60-70 x 60-70	6-8	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	M	9	S	Best away from coast. Leaf underside is grey. Its bark is the source of cork.
<i>Quercus tomentella</i>	Island oak	x	E	25-50 x 10-20	NA	20-24	L	-	S-P	C,L,S	M	9	S	Large, glossy green leaves with tan hairs underneath. Very clean looking.
<i>Quercus wislizenii</i>	Interior live oak	x	E	30-70 x 40-80	NA	18-21	VL	VL	S-P	C,L,S	M	9	S	Broad, dense canopy. Smooth or toothed leaves, yellow-green under.
<i>Sambucus nigra subsp caerulea</i>	blue elderberry	x	D	10-25 x 10-25	NA	18-24	L	L	S-P	WD C,L,S	L	6	W	Berries for jam and birds. Bees pollinate flowers. Dry soil, seasonal flooding ok.
<i>Stenocarpus sinuatus</i>	Firewheel tree		E	30 x 15	4-6	20-24	M	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	3	M-W	Slow. Needs moisture. Years before blooming. Red pinwheel flowers.
<i>Tipuana tipu</i>	Tipu tree		S	50 x 50	8+	18-24	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	3	M-W	Yellow flowers June - July. Fast, quick shade. Frequent pruning first few years.
<i>Umbellularia californica</i>	California bay laurel	x	E	30-70 x 20-40	6-8	18-24	L	M	S-Sh	C,L,S	M	8	S	Fragrant leaves. Best with shade and some summer water.
<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	chaste tree		D	15-25 x 15-20	4	18-24	L	L	S-P	C,L,S	L	4	M-W	Blue-lavender summer flowers. Shrub pruned to tree form. Deep watering.
<i>Zelkova serrata</i>	Sawleaf zelkova		D	60 x 60	NA	18-21	L	M	S-P	C,L,S	M	10	M	Vase-shaped. For the Valley only. Use sparingly, high allergy potential.

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Key

Parkway Size

The measured from the curb to sidewalk. This is the minimum the city of Los Angeles allows for the specific species listed. The minimum is up to the discretion of the city tree inspector. The measurements in *Street Trees Recommended for Southern California* are more strict and realistic.

L.A. Sunset Climate Zone - Refers to the climate zones in the *Sunset Western Garden Book* for the Los Angeles area.

Watering Needs (ratings from WUCOLS IV - Water Use Classification of Landscape Species (http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/Plant_Search/))

VL = Very low. These trees should not need water other than natural rainfall. A prolonged drought might require a deep watering once or twice.

L = Low. One deep watering per summer month.

M = Moderate. Two deep waterings per summer month. Perhaps one deep watering in spring and fall.

H = High. One deep watering per week in summer months. One deep watering every other dry season month.

YELLOW HIGHLIGHTED TREES:

These trees are reproductive hosts (the beetle can reproduce inside the tree) of the Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer (PSHB). PSHB is a very small beetle that bores into trees and infects them with a fungus (Fusarium). The Fusarium clogs the cells of the tree, thus blocking the flow of water and nutrients and kills the tree. Because the beetle attacks many tree species (and more are being added to the list every month), we are advising not to plant the tree species that can harbor these pests. Work is being done by the University of California to find natural controls. [http://ucanr.edu/sites/socaloakpests/Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/socaloakpests/Polyphagous_Shot_Hole_Borer/)

Sun Needs

S = Full sun

P = Part sun/shade

Sh = Shade

Soil Needs: C = Clay; L = Loam; S = Sand; WD = Well drained

Root Damage Potential: These ratings obtained from the SelecTree website: <http://selectree.calpoly.edu>. L = Low; M = Moderate; H = High

Allergy Potential - These ratings (1 - 10) from Thomas Ogren's OPALS (Ogren's Plant Allergy Scale) System in *Allergy Free Gardening*.

1 = lowest rating, least allergenic pollen. If separate male and female trees, these will be the female plants.

10 = highest rating. Trees are usually wind-pollinated or have very fine pollen grains. If separate male and female trees, these will be the male plants.

The male part (anther) of the flower produces pollen. Most flowers are complete - they have both male and female parts. Some have flowers that are only male or female. Some have the separate sexed flowers on separate plants (dioecious) or on the same plant (monoecious). For less allergenic plants, choose female plants or plants whose flowers are complete. Over the years, male trees have been chosen for streets and schools to avoid the mess of fruit drop from female trees. This has increased allergenic pollen in the air. With the increase of asthma among children, the allergy potential of plants has been a growing concern.

Branch Strength: W=Weak, WM=Medium Weak, M=Medium, S=Strong

