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Canopy and Shade Trees

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
American Beech <i>Fagus grandiflora</i>		Ht: 50-70 ft. Sp: 40-60 ft.	Slow	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Well-drained soil • Not readily available • Does not perform well in limited root zone areas
Bald Cypress [^] <i>Taxodium distichum</i>		Ht: 50-70 ft. Sp: 20-30 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Lacey foliage • Extremely tough • Tolerates wet soil
Chinese Pistache ^{* ^} <i>Pistache chinensis</i>		Ht: 30-35 ft. Sp: 25-35 ft.	Slow	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Exceptionally tough urban tree
Lacebark Elm ^{* ^} <i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>	‘Bosque’ ‘Allee’ ‘Athena’	Ht: 40-50 ft. Sp: 30-40 ft.	Fast	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Extremely tough
Live Oak ^{* ^} <i>Quercus virginiana</i>		Ht: 40-80 ft. Sp: 60-100 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Well-drained soil • Salt tolerant • Evergreen
Maidenhair Tree ^{* ^} <i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	‘Autumn Gold’	Ht: 50-70 ft. Sp: 30-40 ft.	Slow	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Very tough—good urban tree
Nutall Oak ^{* ^} <i>Quercus nutalli</i>		Ht: 40-60 ft. Sp: 30-50 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Red fall color
Overcup Oak ^{* ^} <i>Quercus lyrata</i>		Ht: 40-60 ft. Sp: 40-60 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Very tough • Tolerates wet soil
River Birch ^{* ^} <i>Betula nigra</i>	‘Heritage’ ‘Dura Heat’	Ht: 40-70 ft. Sp: 40-60 ft.	Fast	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Tolerates wet soils
Shumard Oak ^{* ^} <i>Quercus shumardii</i>		Ht: 40-60 ft. Sp: 40-60 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained • Similar to Nutall Oak

[^] Drought Tolerant Plants: Go to page 19 for more information.

^{*} Trees Recommended for Limited Root Zone Areas: Go to page 19 for more information.

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Southern Magnolia^ <i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>	'DD Blanchard' 'Claudia Wanamaker' 'Overton's' 'Bracken's Brown Beauty'	Ht: 30-80 ft. Sp: 20-50 ft.	Slow to Medium	Full Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Well-drained soil • Too large for most parking islands • Evergreen
Sugarberry*^ <i>Celtis laevigata</i>		Ht: 50-70 ft. Sp: 40-60 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Extremely tough but not readily available
Water Oak*^ <i>Quercus nigra</i>		Ht: 50-80 ft. Sp: 30-60 ft.	Medium to Fast	Full Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Short lived compared to other oak species but very tough
White Oak <i>Quercus alba</i>		Ht: 50-80 ft. Sp: 40-80 ft.	Slow to Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Reddish purple fall color • Not tolerant of limited root zone area
Willow Oak*^ <i>Quercus phellos</i>		Ht: 40-80 ft. Sp: 30-80 ft.	Medium to Fast	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Fine texture foliage

Flowering and Ornamental Trees

Deciduous

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
Blackhaw Viburnum <i>Viburnum prunifolium</i>		Ht: 10-20 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers • Fall—edible black fruit
Chastetree*^ <i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	‘Shoal Creek’	Ht: 15-20 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—pink or lavender flowers
Chinese Fringetree*^ <i>Chionanthus retusus</i>		Ht: 12-25 ft. Sp: 15-25 ft.	Slow	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers
Crape Myrtle*^ <i>Lagerstromia indica x fauriei</i>	‘Miami’ ‘Natchez’ ‘Tuscarora’ ‘Muskogee’ ‘Tuskegee’ ‘Biloxi’ ‘Choctaw’ ‘Fantasy’	Ht: 20-40 ft. Sp: 20-35 ft.	Medium	Full Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—flowers • Drought tolerant
Crape Myrtle*^ <i>Lagerstromia hybrids</i>	‘Apalachee’ ‘Catawba’ ‘Osage’ ‘Seminole’ ‘Sioux’ ‘Tuskegee’ ‘Yuma’	Ht: 10-20 ft. Sp: 10-25 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—blooms • Drought tolerant
Dogwood <i>Cornus florida</i>	‘Cloud 9’ ‘Cherokee Princess’	Ht: 15-25 ft. Sp: 10-20 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers • Performs best under irrigation
Ironwood <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>		Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 15-25 ft.	Slow	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Interesting bark • Very shade tolerant

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Japanese Flowering Cherry <i>Prunus serrulata</i>	'Kwanzan'	Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 20-30 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—pink flowers • Performs best under irrigation
Japanese Maple <i>Acer palmatum</i>	'Red Emperor'	Ht: 10-25 ft. Sp: 10-20 ft.	Slow	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained, constantly moist soil • Good specimen tree • Performs best under irrigation
Japanese Snowbell <i>Styrax japonicas</i>	'Emerald Pagoda' 'Pink Chimes'	Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 20-30 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—white or pink flowers • Performs best under irrigation
Kousa Dogwood <i>Cornus kousa</i>		Ht: 15-30 ft. Sp: 15-30 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers • Performs best under irrigation
'Okame' Cherry* [^] <i>Prunus campanulata</i>		Ht: 15-30 ft. Sp: 15-30 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—pink flowers • More drought tolerant than most flowering cherries
Possumhaw <i>Ilex decidua</i>	'Warren's Red'	Ht: 15-20 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Fall, Winter—red berries • Tolerates wet soil
Redbud [^] <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	'Forest Pansy'	Ht: 12-30 ft. Sp: 15-25 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Spring—purple or white flowers
Saucer Magnolia <i>Magnolia x soulangiana</i>		Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 15-25 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring—pink flowers
Serviceberry <i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	'Autumn Brilliance'	Ht: 20-25 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Fall—orange foliage • Spring—white flowers
Southern Sugar Maple <i>Acer barbatum</i>		Ht: 20-25 ft. Sp: 15-20 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Fall—yellow & orange foliage

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Star Magnolia <i>Magnolia stellata</i>		Ht: 15-20 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Slow	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well-drained soil Spring—white or pink flowers
Washington Hawthorn <i>Crataegus phaenopyrum</i>		Ht: 25-30 ft. Sp: 20-25 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native Moist to well-drained soil Spring—white flowers Fall—red fruit Thorny Tolerates wet soil
Yoshino Cherry <i>Prunus x yedoensis</i>		Ht: 15-25 ft. Sp: 15-25 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well-drained soil Spring—light pink flowers Performs best under irrigation

Evergreen

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
American Holly <i>Ilex opaca</i>		Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 15-20 ft.	Slow	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native Moist to well-drained soil Fall, Winter—red berries
Anise Tree <i>Illicium parviflorum</i>		Ht: 10-15 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native Moist to well-drained soil Fragrant foliage May be grown as a large shrub or small tree
Carolina Cherry Laurel* [^] <i>Prunus caroliniana</i>		Ht: 15-30 ft. Sp: 15-20 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native Well-drained to Xeric soil Spring—white flowers
Fortune's Osmanthus <i>Osmanthus fortunei</i>		Ht: 15-25 ft. Sp: 8-10 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moist to well-drained soil May be grown as a large shrub or small tree
Fragrant Tea Olive <i>Osmanthus fragrans</i>		Ht: 15-30 ft. Sp: 8-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moist to well-drained soil Fall, Winter—fragrant white flowers May be grown as a large shrub or small tree

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Little Gem Magnolia*^ <i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> 'Little Gem'		Ht: 15-25 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soils • Summer—fragrant white flowers
Palmetto Palm <i>Sabal palmetto</i>		Ht: 10-30 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Slow	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil
Southern Wax Myrtle*^ <i>Myrica cerifera</i>		Ht: 10-20 ft. Sp: 10-20 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to Xeric soil • Winter—blue-black berries on female plants • Susceptible to wind and ice damage
Sweet Bay Magnolia <i>Magnolia virginiana</i>		Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 10-20 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Spring—fragrant white flowers • Moderately evergreen—may lose most foliage in harsh winters
Topol Holly*^ <i>Ilex x attenuate</i>	'Savannah' 'Foster's #2' 'East Palatka'	Ht: 20-30 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soils • Fall, Winter—red berries
Yaupon Holly*^ <i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	'Hoskin's Shadow' 'Kathy Ann' 'Katherine'	Ht: 15-20 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to Xeric soils • Fall, Winter—red-orange or yellow berries

Ornamental Shrubs

Deciduous

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
American Beautyberry <i>Callicarpa Americana</i>		Ht: 4-8 ft. Sp: 4-8 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Late Summer—magenta purple fruit
Bigleaf Hydrangea <i>Hydrangea macrophylla</i>	‘Merritt’s Beauty’ ‘Nikko Blue’ ‘Endless Summer’ Many more	Ht: 3-10 ft. Sp: 3-10 ft.	Fast	Light to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained soil with high organic matter • Summer—white, pink, blue, or purple flowers
Bumald Spirea^ <i>Spiraea x bumalda</i>	‘Anthony Waterer’	Ht: 2-5 ft. Sp: 3-5 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—white to deep pink flowers
Chinese Snowball Bush <i>Viburnum macrocephalum</i>		Ht: 12-15 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained soil • Spring—large clusters of white flowers
Doublefile Viburnum <i>Viburnum plicatum var. tomentosum</i>	‘Shasta’ ‘Maresii’	Ht: 8-10 ft. Sp: 8-10 ft.	Medium	Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers
Flowering Quince^ <i>Chaenomeles speciosa</i>	‘Cameo’ ‘Jet Trail’ ‘Texas Scarlet’	Ht: 3-6 ft. Sp: 3-6 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Late Winter to Early Spring—scarlet red to pink or white flowers
Forsythia^ <i>Forsythia x intermedia</i>	‘Lynwood Gold’	Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 6-10 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—dark green leaves • Early Spring—deep yellow flowers
Japanese Barberry^ <i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	‘Crimson Pygmy’ ‘Gentry’ ‘Rose Glow’	Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Reddish-purple foliage • Small thorns
Japanese Spirea^ <i>Spiraea japonica</i>	‘Little Princess’ ‘Neon Flash’ ‘Shirobana’ ‘Goldmound’	Ht: 2-4 ft. Sp: 2-4 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—rosy pink flowers

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Oakleaf Hydrangea <i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i>	'Alice' 'Snow Queen'	Ht: 5-10 ft. Sp: 5-15 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist, well-drained soil. • Summer—white changing to mauve, pyramidal shaped flowers
Panicle Hydrangea <i>Hydrangea paniculata</i>	'Chantilly Lace' 'Tardiva' 'Unique'	Ht: 8-20 ft. Sp: 8-20 ft.	Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained soil • Summer—white changing to mauve, pyramidal shaped flowers
Purple Beautyberry <i>Callicarpa dichotoma</i>		Ht: 4-5 ft. Sp: 5-8 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—lilac/violet fruit
Rose of Sharon <i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>		Ht: 8-12 ft. Sp: 6-10 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained soil. • Summer—white to red to purple/violet flowers
'Snowmound' Spirea^ <i>Spiraea nipponica</i>	'Snowmound'	Ht: 3-5 ft. Sp: 4-5 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Small, blue-green leaves • Early Summer—white flowers
Summersweet <i>Clethra alnifolia</i>	'Sixteen Candles' 'Hummingbird'	Ht: 4-8 ft. Sp: 4-6 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to wet acid soil • Summer—very fragrant, white flowers
Vanhoutte Spirea^ <i>Spiraea x vanhouttei</i>		Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 10-12 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Vase shaped plant • Spring—very showy white flowers
Virginia Sweetspire <i>Itea virginiana</i>	'Little Henry' 'Henry's Garnet'	Ht: 3-6 ft. Sp: 3-6 ft.	Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Spring—white flowers • Fall—excellent color • Tolerates wet sites
Weigela <i>Weigela florida</i>		Ht: 6-9 ft. Sp: 9-12 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Late Spring—pink flowers
Winged Euonymus <i>Euonymus alatus</i>		Ht: 5-15 ft. Sp: 5-15 ft.	Slow	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Fall—brilliant red color deserving of the name 'Burning Bush'

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Winterberry <i>Ilex verticillata</i>	'Winter Red' 'Red Sprite'	Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 8-15 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to wet acid soil • Winter—red berries (requires male & female plants for fruit set)

Evergreen

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Adam's Needle Yucca^ <i>Yucca filamentosa</i>	'Bright Edge' 'Colorguard'	Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Well-drained soil • Drought, heat, & salt tolerant • Late Spring—white panicle type flowers rise 2-3 ft. above foliage • Deer resistant
Azalea <i>Rhododendron</i> hybrids	'Formosa' 'Coral Bells' Many others	Ht: 2-6 ft. Sp: 2-4 ft.	Medium	Light to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained soil a must • 'Encore' TM varieties bloom spring, summer, & fall
Banana Shrub <i>Michelia figo</i>		Ht: 5-10 ft. Sp: 5-10 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained acid soil • Spring—small, creamy white flowers that smell like ripe bananas
Cape Jasmine <i>Gardenia jasminoides</i>	'Chuck Hayes' 'August Beauty' 'Frost Proof'	Ht: 3-8 ft. Sp: 3-8 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained acid soil • Deer resistant
Chindo Viburnum^ <i>Viburnum awabuki</i> 'Chindo'		Ht: 10-15 ft. Sp: 6-8 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Large, dark green glossy leaves
Chinese Holly <i>Ilex cornuta</i>	'Carissa' 'Needlepoint' 'Rotunda' 'Burfordi' 'Dwarf Buford'	Ht: 4-15 ft. Sp: 5-12 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Drought & heat tolerant • Green, glossy spined leaves • Winter—red berries

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Chinese Juniper^ <i>Juniperus chinensis</i>	'Compacta' 'Spartan' 'Robusta green' 'Hetzii' 'Sargentii' 'Pfitzeriana' 'Torulosa'	Ht: 3-20 ft. Sp: 3-12 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Drought tolerant once established
Chinese Podocarpus <i>Podocarpus macrophyllus</i>	'Maki'	Ht: 10-15 ft. Sp: 5-6 ft.	Slow	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Deer resistant
Common Camellia <i>Camellia japonica</i>	'Marie Bracie' 'Professor Charles S. Sargent' 'Dr. Tinsley Many more	Ht: 5-15 ft. Sp: 5-15 ft.	Slow	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained acid soil that is high in organic matter • Winter to Early Spring blooms • Many varieties available in white, pink, & red
Dwarf Aucuba <i>Aucuba japonica</i>	'Gold Dust' 'Nana' 'Serratifolia'	Ht: 5-10 ft. Sp: 4-8 ft.	Slow	Part Shade to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained acid soil that is high in organic matter • Large green, glossy leaves with a tropical look • 'Gold Dust' has yellow, speckled foliage
Dwarf Yaupon^ <i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	'Shillings' 'Bordeaux'	Ht: 3-5 ft. Sp: 4-5 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to Xeric soils • Drought, heat, & salt tolerant
Emerald Arborvitae <i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	'Emerald'	Ht: 10-15 ft. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained acid soil • Good specimen, accent, or hedge plant
False Yew^ <i>Cephalotaxis harringtonia</i>	'Duke Gardens' 'Prostrata'	Ht: 3-4 ft. Sp: 6-8 ft.	Slow	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Drought tolerant once established • Deer resistant
Firethorn <i>Pyracantha coccinea</i>		Ht: 6-18 ft. Sp: 6-18 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Winter—red or orange berries • Thorny

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Florida Anise Tree <i>Illicium floridanum</i>	'Halley's Comet' 'Shady Lady'	Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 5-8 ft.	Medium	Part Shade to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist, well-drained acid soil with high organic content • Deer resistant
Glossy Abelia^ <i>Abelia grandiflora</i>	'Edward Goucher' 'Francis Mason' 'Little Richard' 'John Creech'	Ht: 3-6 ft. Sp: 3-6 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Semi evergreen during cold winters • Summer—pink or white flowers
Heavenly Bamboo^ <i>Nandina domestica</i>	'Gulfstream' 'Harbor Dwarf' 'Firepower' 'Moon Bay'	Ht: 2-5 ft. Sp: 2-4 ft.	Medium	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Winter—clusters of red berries • Spring—white flower panicles
Hinoki False Cypress <i>Chamaecyparis obtuse</i>	'Nana Gracillis'	Ht: 5-6 ft. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Slow	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist, well-drained acid soil
Hybrid Hollies^ <i>Ilex hybrids</i>	'Emily Brunner' 'Nellie R. Stevens' 'Cardinal' 'Festive' 'Little Red' 'Oakleaf' 'Robin'	Ht: 15-25 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Dark green, spined leaves • Winter—red berries • Pyramidal growth habit
Indian Hawthorn^ <i>Rhaphaeolepis umbellata</i>	'Olivia' 'Eleanor Tabor' 'Majestic Beauty'	Ht: 2-10 ft. Sp: 4-10 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Salt tolerant • Prone to deer damage • Early Summer—pink or white flowers • Plant only leaf spot resistant varieties
Inkberry Holly <i>Ilex glabra</i>	'Shamrock'	Ht: 4-6 ft. Sp: 4-6 ft.	Medium	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist, acid soil
Japanese Cleypa^ <i>Ternstromia gymnathera</i>	'Bronze Beauty' 'Jade Tiara'	Ht: 8-12 ft. Sp: 5-7 ft.	Slow	Sun to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Very glossy green foliage with reddish new growth
Japanese Fatsia <i>Fatsia japonica</i>		Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 6-10 ft.	Medium	Part to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefers moist acid soil high in organic matter • Large green, glossy, & tropical-looking leaves

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Japanese Pittosporum^ <i>Pittosporum tobira</i>	'Variegata' 'Winter Pride' 'Louisiana Green'	Ht: 2-12 ft. Sp: 4-12 ft.	Slow to Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Salt tolerant • Prone to deer damage
Japanese Privet^ <i>Ligustrum japonicum</i>	'Davidson's Hardy' 'Recurvifolium'	Ht: 6-12 ft. Sp: 6-10 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Tough plant with green, glossy foliage
Knockout Rose^ <i>Rosa 'Radrazz'</i>		Ht: 3-5 ft. Sp: 3-5 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Cherry-red rose with excellent resistance to leaf spot and other problems associated with roses • Drought and salt tolerant
Laurustinus^ <i>Viburnum tinus</i>		Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 6-8 ft.	Medium	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Late Winter—pink flower buds open up to white blossoms • Salt spray tolerant
Pineapple Guava^ <i>Feijoa sellowiana</i>		Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 5-8 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Spring—pink and crimson flowers • Gray foliage • May be grown as a small tree
Pink Loropetalum <i>Loropetalum chinense</i>	'Zhuzhou Fuchsia' 'Ruby' 'Burgandy' 'Blush'	Ht: 6-15 ft. Sp: 6-12 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained, acid soil • Spring—hot pink, fringy flowers • Maroon-purple foliage
Rose Creek Abelia^ <i>Abelia x 'Rose Creek'</i>		Ht: 3-4 ft. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Summer—whitish-pink flowers all season, turning mauve • Winter—dried flowers persist into season
Sasanqua Camellia <i>Camellia sasanqua</i>	'Yuletide' 'Kanjiro' 'Show-no-Sake' Many more	Ht: 5-15 ft. Sp: 5-15 ft.	Slow	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained acid soil with high organic matter • Late Fall to Early Winter blooms • Many varieties available in white, pink, & red

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Small Anise Tree <i>Illicium parviflorum</i>		Ht: 6-10 ft. Sp: 5-8 ft.	Medium	Sun to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Deer resistant
Southern Wax Myrtle [^] <i>Myrica cerifera</i>		Ht: 8-15 ft. Sp: 8-15 ft.	Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to Xeric soil • Extremely tough shrub
Tea Olive [^] <i>Osmanthus</i>	'Fragrans' 'Forunei' 'Heterophyllus'	Ht: 10-15 ft. Sp: 10-15 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Can be easily maintained at 5-6 ft.
Walter's Viburnum <i>Viburnum obovatum</i>	'Densa' 'Whorled Class'	Ht: 4-8 ft. Sp: 3-8 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Wet to well-drained soil • Early Spring—fine-textured foliage with cluster of small white flowers
Winter Jasmine [^] <i>Jasminum nudiflorum</i>		Ht: 3-4 ft. Sp: 4-7 ft.	Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefers moist, well-drained soil but adaptable to poor soil • Early spring—yellow flowers

Groundcovers and Ornamental Grasses

Deciduous

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
Canna Lily <i>Canna</i> hybrids	'Miss Oklahoma' 'Red King Humpert' 'The President'	Ht: 2-6 ft. Sp: 3-6 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil
Daylily^ <i>Heemerocallis</i>	'Stella D'Oro' 'Lemon Yellow' 'Happy Returns' 'Hyperion'	Ht: 1-3 ft. Sp: 1-3 ft.	Fast	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tolerant of most soils • Excellent for erosion control • Drought tolerant
Lantana^ <i>Lantana camara</i>	'New Gold' 'Spreading Sunset' 'Lemon Drop'	Ht: 1-3 ft. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained to Xeric soil • Excellent for profuse color till frost • Drought tolerant
Plantain Lily <i>Hosta lancifolia</i>	'Albomarginata' 'Francee' 'Krossa Regal' 'Gold Standard'	Ht: 1-3 ft. Sp: 1-3 ft.	Medium	Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil

Evergreen

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
Asiatic Jasmine^ <i>Trachelospermum asiaticum</i>		Ht: 12-18 in. Sp: 3-15 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Excellent vining groundcover
Autumn Fern <i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i>		Ht: 18-24 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Medium	Light to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronze fronds emerge turning green with maturity • Can take some sun if under irrigation • Deer resistant

^ Drought Tolerant Plants: Go to page 19 for more information.

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Carpet Bugle <i>Ajuga reptans</i>	'Bronze Beauty' 'Burgundy Glow' 'Black Scallop'	Ht: 3-4 in. Sp: 24 in.	Fast	Part Shade to Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist soil • Spring—low spreading with lavender-blue flowers
Chinese Juniper^ <i>Juniperus chinensis</i>	'Sargentii'	Ht: 1 ft. Sp: 6-8 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Heather and drought tolerant
Creeping Lily Turf^ <i>Liriope spicata</i>		Ht: 6-12 in. Sp: indeterminate	Fast	Part to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Rapidly spreading groundcover • Excellent erosion control
Heavenly Bamboo^ <i>Nandina domestica</i>	'Harbor Dwarf' 'Harbor Belle'	Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Green foliage with red new growth
Holly Fern <i>Cyrtomium falcatum</i>		Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Medium	Part to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • More drought tolerant than most ferns • Deer resistant
Lily Turf^ <i>Liriope muscari</i>	'Big Blue' 'Variegata' 'Cleopatra'	Ht: 1-2 ft. Sp: 12-18 in.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Drought tolerant
Mondo Grass <i>Ophiopogon japonicas</i>		Ht: 6-8 in. Sp: 8-12 in.	Slow	Part to Full Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Dark green foliage similar to Liriope with a narrower, bladed leaf
Periwinkle <i>Vinca minor</i>		Ht: 5-8 in. Sp: 3-4 ft.	Medium to Fast	Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Excellent under trees and shady banks
Shore Juniper^ <i>Juniperus conferta</i>	'Blue Pacific'	Ht: 12-18 in. Sp: 6-8 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Heat, drought, & salt tolerant • Excellent for erosion control on slopes
Spreading Juniper^ <i>Juniperus horizontalis</i>	'Bar Harbor' 'Blue Rug' 'Andorra'	Ht: 6-18 in. Sp: 3-5 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil

Ornamental Grasses

Common/ Botanical Name	Recommended Varieties	Height/ Spread at Full Maturity	Growth Rate	Exposure	Notes & Culture
Breeze Grass^ <i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Breeze™	Ht: 2 ft. Sp: 2 ft.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil • Evergreen • Soft, bright green foliage
Fountain Grass^ <i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i>	‘Cassian’ ‘Hamlin’ ‘Little Bunny’	Ht: 1-3 ft. Sp: 1-3 ft.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moist to well-drained soil
Japanese Sedge <i>Carex morrowii</i>	‘Aureo-variegata’	Ht: 12 in. Sp: 12 in.	Medium	Sun to Part Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wet to well-drained soil • Evergreen
Japanese Sweetflag <i>Acorus gramineus</i>	‘Variegatus’	Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 12-18 in.	Medium	Sun to Light Shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wet to moist soil • Not drought tolerant • Evergreen
Maiden Grass^ <i>Miscanthus sinensis</i>	‘Adagio’ ‘Gracillimus’ ‘Cosmopolitan’	Ht: 3-7 ft. Sp: 5-7 ft.	Medium to Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-drained soil • Drought and salt tolerant
Muhly Grass^ <i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>		Ht: 2-3 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Fast	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Well-drained soil • Fall—pink flower plumes
Panic Grass^ <i>Panicum virgatum</i>	‘Cloud Nine’ ‘Northwind’ ‘Shenandoah’	Ht: 4-5 ft. Sp: 2-3 ft.	Medium	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Native • Moist to well-drained soil • Upright

More Information

Footnotes

* **Trees Recommended for limited root zone areas.** The trees indicated with an asterisk (*) are most likely to be successful in limited root zone areas (parking lot islands, sidewalk cut-outs). Other trees in the list are great for our area (e.g. Red Maple, American Beech) but are not suited to growing in parking lots. This does not mean that they should not be considered for larger planting spaces such as common areas, buffer plantings, or large islands.

^ **Drought Tolerant Plants.** Extremely drought tolerant plants are marked with a wedge sign (^). When planted in their preferred soil type, these plants are able to withstand extended periods of drought, e.g. 4-6 weeks, without supplemental irrigation once established. Most trees and shrubs take two to three growing seasons to become fully established. Perennials, grasses, and groundcovers usually require one to two seasons to become established. Regular supplemental water should be provided until plants become established.

Notes

- **Native:** Plants native to the Southeastern USA. These plants are endemic to the southeastern United States from Virginia to eastern Texas.
- **Mature Size:** Mature sizes of all plants are given as height and spread, though it may take many years to reach these dimensions. Mature size can vary depending on growing conditions.
- **Recommended Varieties:** For many plants, recommended varieties are given. These are selections of that plant that either perform better in our area or are more suitable to the landscape than the species. Plant varieties, also known as cultivars, are listed enclosed in single quotes.
- **Exposure:** Exposure refers to the amount of sunlight a site receives as follows:
 - Full Sun indicates a site that receives at least 6-8 hours of direct sun each day.
 - Light Shade indicates a site that is shaded less than half of the day by a light high shade such as that cast by pine trees.
 - Part Shade indicates a site that is shaded half of the day by a dense shade like that cast by buildings or shade trees.
 - Full Shade indicates a site that is in shade all day.
- **Soil Conditions**
 - Wet indicates a site that stays moist most of the time and receives periodic flooding.
 - Moist indicates a site that is moist most of the time with brief (less than 12 hour) periods of standing water.
 - Well-drained indicates a site where water drains from the surface and rarely stands.
 - Xeric indicates a site that is extremely dry and sandy with very little ability to hold water.

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