

Recommended Residential Tree List

The table below identifies trees recommended for planting in a residential setting and were selected specifically for Ukiah's climate. The trees in the list were selected by the Tree Advisory Group. The tree table was approved by the City Council on April 18, 2012.

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Botanic Name Common Name	Average Height (feet)	Average Spread (feet)	Evergreen Or Deciduous	Fruiting Or Flowering	Drought Tolerant	Mendocino Native	Crown Type	Suitable for			Cultivars & Notes
								Confined Root Spaces	Overhead Wire Locations	Confined Crown Spaces	
Acer platanoides Norway Maple	60'	40'	Deciduous	No	Yes	No	Rounded	No	No	No	'Crimson King'
Acer campestre Hedge Maple	30'	25'	Deciduous	No	Mod	No	Rounded	Yes	No	Yes	
Acer circinatum Vine Maple	20'	20'	Deciduous	No	No	Yes	Vase	Yes	Yes	No	Needs afternoon shade
Acer griseum Paperbark Maple	25'	20'	Deciduous	No	No	No	Vase	Yes	Yes	No	Needs afternoon shade
Aesculus x carnea Horse Chestnut	40'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Mod	No	Broad-Rounded	Yes	No	No	'Briotii' cultivar
Albizia julibrissin Silk Tree	30'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Spreading	Yes	Yes	No	Beautiful flowers but year-round debris
Arbutus unedo Strawberry Tree	20'	20'	Evergreen	Both	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	Yes	Yes	Tree trained forms only
Arbutus x 'Marina' Hybrid Strawberry Tree	30'	30'	Evergreen	Both	Yes	No	Oval	No	No	No	Needs open ground for best growth
Calocedrus decurrens Incense Cedar	60'	20'	Evergreen	No	Yes	Yes	Pyramidal	No	No	Yes	'Columnaris' cultivar
x Chitalpa tashkentensis	25'	25'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	Yes	No	'Morning Cloud' cultivar
Catalpa speciosa Hardy Catalpa	60'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Oval	No	No	No	Beautiful flowers but year-round debris
Cercis canadensis Eastern Redbud	25'	35'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Vase	Yes	Yes	No	'Oklahoma' cultivar

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Cercis occidentalis Western Redbud	20'	15'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	Yes	Vase	Yes	Yes	Yes	Tree trained forms only
Chionanthus retusus Chinese Fringetree	25'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	No	No	Spreading	No	Yes	No	Slow growth
Cornus capitata Evergreen Dogwood	25'	20'	Evergreen	Yes	No	No	Vase	No	Yes	No	
Cornus florida Eastern Dogwood	25'	25'	Deciduous	Yes	No	No	Rounded	No	Yes	No	
Cornus x rutgersensis Galaxy Hybrid Dogwoods	20'	20'	Deciduous	Yes	No	No	Rounded	No	Yes	No	'Celestial' cultivar
Cornus x 'Eddie's White Wonder'	30'	25'	Deciduous	Yes	No	No	Rounded	Yes	No	No	
Cotinus coggygria Smoke Bush	15'	15'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	Yes	No	'Velvet Cloak' & 'Royal Purple'
Diospyros kaki Persimmon	35'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	No	No	'Fuyu' cultivar
Koelreuteria bipinnata Chinese Flame Tree	40'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Spreading	No	No	No	
Magnolia grandiflora Southern Magnolia	25'	15'	Evergreen	Yes	Mod	No	Upright	No	No	No	'Little Gem' cultivar
Malus species Crabapple	20'	20'	Deciduous	Yes	Mod	No	Spreading	Yes	Yes	No	Prairie Fire' 'Snow Drift'
Maytenus boaria Mayten Tree	35'	30'	Evergreen	No	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	No	No	'Green Showers' cultivar
Nyssa sylvatica Tupelo	40'	25'	Deciduous	No	No	No	Upright	No	No	No	
Quercus douglasii Blue Oak	35'	25'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spreading	No	No	No	Slow growth, good for clayey soils

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Quercus garryana Oregon Oak	45'	35'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spreading	No	No	No	Good for clayey soils
Quercus kelloggii Black Oak	40'	30'	Deciduous	No	Yes	Yes	Rounded	No	No	No	Predominate oak of the western hills
Quercus lobata Valley Oak	100'	80'	Deciduous	No	Yes	Yes	Spreading	No	No	No	
Quercus suber Cork Oak	60'	40'	Evergreen	Yes	Yes	No	Rounded	Yes	No	No	
Quercus wislizeni Interior Live Oak	40'	40'	Evergreen	No	Yes	Yes	Rounded	No	No	No	
Sophora japonica Japanese Pagoda Tree	40'	30'	Deciduous	Yes	Yes	No	Rounded	No	No	No	'Regent' cultivar
Ulmus parvifolia Chinese Elm	40'	40'	Semi-Evergreen	No	Yes	No	Spreading	No	No	No	'Athena' & 'True Green' cultivars

Trees from the Required Street Tree List, Required Parking Lot Tree List, Required Parks Tree List, and Required Riparian Tree List are also appropriate for planting in a residential setting.

The trees in these tables were selected based on their ability to thrive in the conditions unique to each setting (street planter strip, parking lot, park, riparian area). In order to provide for the long-term health and vitality of the tree selected, it is recommended that the tree selected be compatible with the residential setting in which it would be planted (e.g lawn and irrigation, overhead lines, creek side, pavement/impervious surfaces, limited drainage).