

Recommended Tree List for Santa Clara

Large Shade Trees

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Latin Name</u>	<u>Water Needs</u>	<u>Local Expert Notes</u>
Persian Silk Tree/ Mimosa	<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	Medium	Susceptible to freeze damage when young. Avoid riparian areas.
Common Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Medium	Very drought tolerant.
Netleaf Hackberry	<i>Celtis reticulata</i>	Low	Not a good street tree, but good for natural & challenging landscapes.
Osage Orange	<i>Maclura pomifera</i>	Medium	Great tree, seedless and thornless varieties available.
White Mulberry	<i>Morus alba</i>	Medium	Very tolerant. High invasive potential. Allergy and overplanting issue.
Chinese Pistache	<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Medium	Performing very well. Very popular; beware of overplanting.
Mexican Sycamore	<i>Platanus mexicana</i>	High	Hopeful species; requires careful site selection.
Honey Mesquite	<i>Prosopis glandulosa</i>	Low	Look for Texas variety that are thornless and more tree like in form.
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Medium	Experimental at this point, may not tolerate the heat well.
Chinquapin Oak	<i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i>	Medium	Not widely available yet.
Southern Live Oak	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	Medium	Doing well in many locations.
Western Soapberry	<i>Sapindus saponaria var. drummondii</i>	Low	Great tree that does well. Can form thickets, and has toxic properties.
American Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	Medium	Gorgeous old specimens in area. Mostly sold as hybrid cultivars.
Cedar Elm	<i>Ulmus crassifolia</i>	Medium	
Lacebark/Chinese Elm	<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>	Medium	Prolific seeds in fall - concern about invasiveness.

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Evergreen Trees

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Deodar Cedar	<i>Cedrus deodar</i>	Medium	Performing well in Silver City, struggling in other parts of the state.
Arizona Cypress	<i>Cupressus arizonica</i>	Medium	Great tree with good hybrids available.
Yaupon Holly	<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	Medium	Performing well in other areas of the state.
Alligator Juniper	<i>Juniperus deppeana</i>	Low	Exhibiting some dieback locally. Does need supplemental irrigation.
Rocky Mountain Juniper	<i>Juniperus scopulorum</i>	Low	
Eastern Red Cedar	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	Low	
Aleppo Pine	<i>Pinus halepensis</i>	Low	Few examples locally, but seem to be doing well.
Single leaf pinyon pine	<i>Pinus monophylla</i>	Low	Small, but grows well locally.
Italian Stone Pine	<i>Pinus pinea</i>	Medium	Few examples locally, but seem to be doing well.
Arizona White Oak	<i>Quercus arizonica</i>	Low	
Emory Oak	<i>Quercus emoryi</i>	Medium	
Escarpment Live Oak	<i>Quercus fusiformis</i>	Medium	
Mexican Elder	<i>Sambucus mexicana</i>	Medium	High performer. Fast growing, needs pruning to maintain its tree form.
Texas Mountain Laurel	<i>Sophora secundiflora</i> SEE <i>Dermatophyllum secundiflorum</i>	Low	Struggling with cold hardiness.

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Small/Medium Trees

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Mexican Redbud	<i>Cercis mexicana</i>	Medium	Redbuds are doing well locally. Texas and Mexican species are doing particularly well. Eastern redbud (<i>Cercis canadensis</i>) is not generally recommended due to its intolerance to wind, but 'Forest pansy' varietal has grown well. Redbuds greatly benefit from good pruning.
Western Redbud	<i>Cercis occidentalis</i>	Medium	
Oklahoma Redbud	<i>Cercis reniformis</i>	Medium	
Texas Redbud	<i>Cercis texicana</i>	Medium	
Desert Willow	<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>	Low	Highly recommended.
Texas Persimmon	<i>Diospyros texana</i>	Low	Not much local experience with this species.
New Mexico Olive	<i>Forestiera neomexicana</i>	Medium	Highly recommended.
Golden-ball Leadtree	<i>Leucaena retusa</i>	Low	Good tree, but currently difficult to find.
Southern Wax Myrtle	<i>Morella cerifera</i>	High	No local experience with this species.
Little Leaf Mulberry	<i>Morus microphylla</i>	Low	Highly recommended.
Hoptree (Wafer Ash)	<i>Ptelia trifolata</i>	Low	Recommended by local experts. Drought tolerance.
Screwbean Mesquite	<i>Prosopis pubescens</i>	Very Low	Thorny, and concerns regarding their ability to handle local soil.
Texas Red Oak	<i>Quercus buckleyi</i>	Medium	Highly recommended.
Chaste Tree	<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	Medium	Performing well locally, and can achieve small tree size in right conditions.