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Landscape School

Recommended Plants List

The descriptions of the following plants are intended to serve as a basic guide for your selection. Even within the San Angelo area there are such significant variations in soil and weather that a plant may thrive in one area but not survive in another. Be sure to note soil types (i.e. thin, alkaline, clay, sandy, etc.) and whether the planting site has full sun, hot winds or cold northern exposures, etc.

Medium and Large Trees

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	GROWTH RATE	CHARACTERISTICS	SIZE
<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Bur Oak	Medium	Large acorns	60x40
<i>Quercus texana</i>	Texas Red Oak	Medium	Fall leaf color, form	30x30
<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	Live Oak	Medium	Evergreen, dependable	50x75
<i>Quercus laceyi</i>	Lacey Oak	Medium	Bluegreen leaves	25x20
<i>Ulmus crassifolia</i>	Cedar Elm	Medium	Fall color, dependable	50x40
<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Chinese Pistachio	Medium	Fall leaf color	40x30
<i>Pinus elderica</i>	Afghan Pine	Fast	Use only as a screen	50x30
<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Panicked Golden Raintree	Fast	Flowers, fruit	25x25

Small Trees

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	GROWTH RATE	CHARACTERISTICS	SIZE
<i>Cercis</i> spp.	Redbud	Medium	Flowers	20x15
<i>Diospyros texana</i>	Mexican Persimmon	Medium	Trunks, evergreen	20x15
<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	Common Persimmon	Medium	Fruit	35x20
<i>Prunus mexicana</i>	Mexican Plum	Medium	Fragrant flowers	20x15
<i>Sophora secundiflora</i>	Texas Mountain Laurel	Fast	Evergreen, fragrant flowers	20x10
<i>Sophora affinis</i>	Eve's Necklace	Slow	Deciduous, flowering	20x10
<i>Malus</i> sp.	Crabapple	Medium	Flowering	20x25
<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	Yaupon Holly	Medium	Berried, multitrunks	10x6
<i>Ilex decidua</i>	Possumhaw Holly	Medium	Berried, deciduous	10x6
<i>Ungnadia speciosa</i>	Mexican Buckeye	Medium	Flowering like redbuds	15x10
<i>Chilopsis linearis</i>	Desert Willow	Medium	Summer flowering	15x20
<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	Vitex	Medium	Summer flowering	12x12

Large Shrubs

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	GROWTH RATE	CHARACTERISTICS	SIZE
<i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i>	Texas Sage	Medium	Evergreen, silver foliage	6x5
<i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>	Shrub Althea	Medium	Flowers	8x5
<i>Rhus virens</i>	Evergreen Sumac	Medium	Evergreen, winter color	8x8
<i>Rhus lanceolata</i>	Flame-leaf Sumac	Medium	Fall color	15x10
<i>Abelia grandiflora</i>	Glossy Abelia	Fast	Fragrant fl., winter color	6x5
<i>Myrica cerifera</i>	Wax Myrtle	Fast	Evergreen	5x5
<i>Raphiolepis</i> (selections)	Indian Hawthorn	Fast	Spring Flowers	Varies
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	Fast	Summer Color	10x10
<i>Ligustrum japonicum</i>	Japanese Privet	Medium	Evergreen, to 20 feet	10x6
<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i>	Crape Myrtle	Medium	Many fl. Colors & sizes	Varies
<i>Podocarpus macrophyllus</i>	Japanese Yew	Slow	Full shade only	25x10
<i>Ilex 'Nellie R. Stevens'</i>	Nellie Stevens Holly	Moderate	Glossy green, red berries	10x10

Medium Shrubs

Raphiolepis (selections)	Indian Hawthorn	Fast, dense	Spring flowers	SIZE
<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	Yaupon Holly	Slow	Red berries, 5'X5'	10x6
<i>Nandina domestica</i>	Nandina (standard)	Steady	Winter color	6x4
<i>Salvia greggii</i>	Autumn Sage	Fast, not dense	Airy, colorful, hummers	3x3

Dwarf Shrubs

<i>Ilex vomitoria "Nana"</i>	Dwarf Yaupon Holly	Fast, very dense	Full sun or shade	SIZE
<i>Nandina domestica</i>	Dwarf Nandina	Steady	Sun or shade	2x2
<i>Raphiolepis</i> (selections)	Dwarf Ind. Hawthorns	Fast	Full sun or shade	3x3
<i>Rosemary officinalis</i>	Rosemary	Fast	Dark green, blue blooms	3x3
<i>Juniperus chinensis</i>	Compact pfitzer	Moderate	Hardy to heat & sun	2x5
<i>Aspidistra elatior</i>	Cast Iron Plant	Moderate	Dark green, shade only	1x1

Local nurserymen, garden supply centers and County Extension Horticulturists will be happy to provide you with any further information on tree selection and planting.

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