

## Chapter 4

### Shrubs (Medium to Large Size)



Chapter Photograph - *Tibouchina urvilleana* (Princess Flower)

#### Chapter 4 - Shrubs (Medium to Large Size) Breakdown:

Refer to the Landscape Plant Guide Breakdown (page 13) or Appendix for additional information on each specific category

Use Code	Specific Category	No. of Plants
A	Shade exposure	20
B	Very low to low watering	64
C	Invasive growth habit	10
D	Fragrant foliage	6
E	Season changing foliage color	6
F	Fragrant flowers	26
G	Edible or herbal uses	10
H	Indoor Use	18
ii	Slopes	21
J	Slopes-EC	34
K	Fire Risk	17
L	Fire Resistant	69
M	Deer Resistant	78
N	Oak	31
O	California Native	14
P	Espalier use	40
Q	Can be a clipped hedge	72
<b>Total Number of Plants Listed</b>		<b>116</b>





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#### **Abelia x grandiflora**

Glossy Abelia

f-J-L-M-N

<b>Family:</b>	Caprifoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Garden origin
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen, semi-evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-10' tall x 5-6' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are bronzy, maturing to glossy green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, slightly fragrant white flowers with pink tinges from summer to fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be selectively pruned to control height.

#### **Abutilon hybrids**

Chinese Lantern, Flowering Maple, Parlor Maples

H-P

<b>Family:</b>	Malvaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Tropical to subtropical regions of South America
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 12-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-10' tall x 8-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Maple-like, mid-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white, yellow, pink, red or lavender flowers in the spring; white and yellow flower hybrid varieties seem to bloom continuously throughout the year.
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other hybrid varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be trained as a patio tree.



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#### **Acacia cultriformis**

Knife Acacia, Knife-Leaf Wattle

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<b>Family:</b>	Fabaceae (Leguminosae)
<b>Origin:</b>	Eastern Australia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	13-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-12' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Grayish green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy yellow flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Grows naturally as a multiple trunk shrub, but can be trained as a small tree

#### **Acacia longifolia**

Sydney Golden Wattle  
(Sold also as *Acacia latifolia*)

B-C-J-K-M

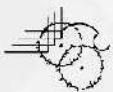
<b>Family:</b>	Fabaceae (Leguminosae)
<b>Origin:</b>	Eastern to southern Australia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Very fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Possibly invasive along the California coastal areas
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-20' tall x 15-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Bright green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy yellow flowers from winter to spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown as a small tree

#### **Acacia redolens**

Syn. *Acacia ongerup*

B-J-K-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Fabaceae (Leguminosae)
<b>Origin:</b>	Western Australia (interior areas)
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 12-24





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<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	3-12' tall x 15-30' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Gray-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy yellow flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge; ground cover variety is available; refer to Chapter 6 for additional information on the ground cover 'Desert Carpet'™.

### Alyogyne huegelii

Blue Hibiscus

Syn. *Hibiscus huegelii*

**B-L-M-P**

<b>Family:</b>	Malvaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Western Australia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	13-17, 20-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	5-8' tall x 6-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy light blue to deep purple flowers primarily from spring to summer that can also bloom continuously throughout the year
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be trained as a patio tree.

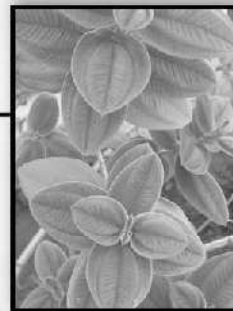
### Arbutus unedo

Strawberry Tree

**b-G-ii-L-M-n-p-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Ericaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southeastern Europe and Turkey
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; (damage in severe winters in zones 4-7)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial





<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	Arbutus unedo: 8-35' tall x 8-35' wide 'Compacta': 6-12' x 6-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable white to pink flowers from fall to winter
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable, edible yellow fruits that mature to red in the winter and can be a litter nuisance
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak-Possible
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; 'Compacta' variety can be grown or purchased as an espalier and both varieties listed can be a clipped hedge; refer to Chapter 3 for additional information.

### Arctostaphylos manzanita

Common Manzanita

B-J-K-M-N-O

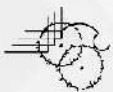
<b>Family:</b>	Ericaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Inland coastal ranges of California and the Sierra Nevada foothills
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-20' tall x 4-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Shiny, bright to dull green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white to pink flowers from winter to spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable white fruits that turn deep red
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Another variety known

### Aucuba japonica

Japanese Aucuba, Japanese Laurel

A-H-M

<b>Family:</b>	Cornaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Japan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Shade to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate





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<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10'+ tall x 6-10'+ wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable red fruits from fall to winter when both sexes are planted next to one another
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be selectively pruned to control height; refer to Chapter 5 for additional information on other variegated leaf varieties.

### **Brugmansia x candida**

Angel's Trumpet  
*Syn. Datura x candida*

A-F

<b>Family:</b>	Solanaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Garden origin
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	12, 13, 16-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to shade
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen, semi-deciduous
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-12' tall x 10-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dull green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant cream to white flowers from summer to fall
<b>Additional Information:</b>	White flowering variety is available; all parts of the plant are poisonous; hybrid between <i>Brugmansia aurea</i> and <i>B. versicolor</i> .

### **Brunfelsia pauciflora 'Floribunda'**

Yesterday-Today-and-Tomorrow  
*Syn. Brunfelsia calycina*

h-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Solanaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Brazil
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	12-17, 20-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate





<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10' tall x 4-6' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green leaves above and pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy purple flowers that fade to lavender then to white from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use-Possible
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree

### Buxus sempervirens

Common Boxwood, English Boxwood

A-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Buxaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southern Europe, North Africa, Turkey and western Asia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	3b-6, 15-17
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to shade
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-20' tall x 15-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; can be a clipped hedge.

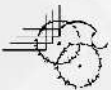
### Calliandra haematocephala

Pink Powder Puff

Syn. *Calliandra inaequilatera*

P-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Fabaceae (Leguminosae)
<b>Origin:</b>	Bolivia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	22-24; H2; (needs protected warm spot in zones 13, 16-21)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-12' tall x 10-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy copper-colored new leaves that mature to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy pink to red flowers from fall to spring
<b>Additional Information:</b>	White flowering variety is available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree.





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#### Calliandra tweedii

Brazilian Flame Bush, Mexican Flame Bush, Trinidad Flame Bush

Syn. *Inga pulcherrima*

(Sold also as *Calliandra guildingii*)

P-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Fabaceae (Leguminosae)
<b>Origin:</b>	Brazil to Uruguay
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	22-24; (fair in zones 15-21 and freezes, but recovers in zones 7-9, 12-24)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-8' tall x 5-8' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy red flowers from spring to fall; will bloom continuously throughout the winter in a mild climate.
<b>Additional Information:</b>	White flowering variety is available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree.

#### Camellia japonica

Camellia, Common Camellia, Japanese Camellia

a-p-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Theaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Korea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 12, 14-24; H1
<b>Exposure:</b>	Partial, but shade exposure in the desert communities
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-12'+ tall x 6-12'+ wide, but can grow to 15-20' tall with time
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, mid-green to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy lavender, red, pink, white, orange to yellow flowers from fall to spring
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Numerous varieties are available; some varieties can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge.





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#### Camellia sasanqua

Sasanqua Camellia

<b>Family:</b>	Theaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Japan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 12, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to shade
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	2-12' tall x 6-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green leaves above and pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, scarlet, rose, pink, pale pink to white flowers from fall to winter
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; some varieties can be grown or purchased as an espalier; can be selectively pruned to control height.

Carissa grandiflora, see Carissa macrocarpa

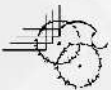
#### Carissa macrocarpa

Natal Plum

Syn. *Carissa grandiflora*

b-F-G-ii-L-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Apocynaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	South Africa
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	22-24; H2; (possible in zones 12, 13, 16-21)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	5-7'+ tall x 5-7'+ wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant white flowers from spring to summer
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy, edible red fruits following the blooms, with poisonous seeds
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge.





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#### Ceanothus 'Concha'

California Lilac, California Mountain Lilac

##### B-J-L-m-N-O-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Rhamnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	6-9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	5-7' tall x 6-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy deep blue flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant-Possible / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge; possibly a hybrid between Ceanothus papillosus var. roweanus and C. impressus.

#### Ceanothus 'Dark Star'

Small Leaf Mountain Lilac, Wild Lilac

##### B-F-J-L-M-N-O

<b>Family:</b>	Rhamnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	4-6' tall x 8-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant deep blue to almost deep purple flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Possibly a hybrid between Ceanothus impressus and C. papillosus



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#### Ceanothus griseus

Carmel Ceanothus

B-J-L-n-O

<b>Family:</b>	Rhamnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Northern to southern California coastal areas from Mendocino to Santa Barbara County
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-9, 14-17, 19-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-8' tall x 6-8' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy medium blue flowers from winter to spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Oak-Possible / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; deer are attracted to all forms of Ceanothus griseus.

#### Ceanothus 'Joyce Coulter'

Creeping Mountain Lilac

B-J-L-m-n-O

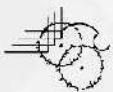
<b>Family:</b>	Rhamnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	2-5' tall x 8-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy medium blue flowers in spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant-Possible / Oak-Possible / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Possibly a hybrid between Ceanothus papillosus var. roweanus and C. thyrsoiflorus

#### Choisya ternata

Mexican Orange Blossom

F-L-M

<b>Family:</b>	Rutaceae
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<b>Origin:</b>	Mexico
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	6-9, 14-24; (borderline in zones 4, 5)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-8' tall x 6-8' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant white flowers from winter to spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Another variety is known; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### Cotoneaster lacteus

Parney Cotoneaster, Red Clusterberry  
*Syn. Cotoneaster parneyi*

**b-C-J-L-M-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Invasive throughout northern and southern California coastal areas
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-10' tall x 10-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green leaves above and whitish green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white flowers in the spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy red fruits from summer to fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier; can be a clipped hedge.

### Cycas revoluta

Japanese Fern Palm, Sago Palm

**H-M**

<b>Family:</b>	Cycadaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southern China and Nansei Islands, Japan





<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Very slow
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10' tall x 5-7' wide, staying small for many years
<b>Foliage:</b>	Long, leaves with numerous stiff, glossy dark green leaflets
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, golden-brown, 12-18" long male inflorescences
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy, yellow female fruits
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	It is not a true palm, but is sometimes categorized as a palm, therefore it is a cycad.

*Dizygotheca elegantissima*, see *Schefflera elegantissima*

### **Dodonaea viscosa**

A'ali'i, Hop Bush, Hopseed Bush

b-e-ii-K-M-p-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Sapindaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i> originates from Arizona and Mexico and the 'Purpurea' variety originates from New Zealand
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	7-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height and Width / Foliage:</b>	<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i> : 12-18' tall x 6-12' wide, with yellow to mid-green leaves 'Purpurea': 6-15' tall x 6-10' wide, with bronze-purple leaves that turn deep purple in the winter or in cold weather
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy reddish brown, light brown, yellow, green, pink or purple capsules from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	'Purpurea' can be grown or purchased as an espalier; both can be a clipped hedge.

### **Echium candicans**

Pride of Madeira  
Syn. *Echium fastuosum*

b-C-J-L-M

<b>Family:</b>	Boraginaceae
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<b>Origin:</b>	Madeira (island off the northwestern coast of Africa)
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Invasive throughout California coastal areas
<b>Height / Width:</b>	4-6' tall x 6-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Gray-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy bluish purple flowers from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant

Echium fastuosum, see Echium candicans

### Elaeagnus pungens

Silverberry

**B-f-J-L-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Elaeagnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China and Japan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are bronze, maturing to gray-green above and golden-tan beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant, but slightly fragrant, cream flowers in the spring; some say that the flowers have a carnation-like scent.
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge.

### Eriobotrya deflexa 'Coppertone'

**L-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial





<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	7-8'+ tall x 8-10'+ wide, but can grow to 12-15' tall x 10-12' wide as a patio tree
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are copper-like, maturing to mid-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy light pink to white flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge; hybrid between Eriobotrya deflexa and Rhapsiolepis 'Majestic Beauty'™.

### Escallonia rubra

F-Q

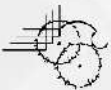
<b>Family:</b>	Escalloniaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Argentina and Chile
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant red to deep red flowers from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; can be a clipped hedge.

### Euonymus japonicus

Evergreen Euonymus

b-H-L-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Celastraceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Korea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-20; H1
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height and Width / Foliage:</b>	Euonymus japonicus: 8-10' tall x 5-6' wide, with glossy deep green leaves 'Aureo-Variegatus': 6-10' tall x 6-8' wide, with mid-green leaves which have random bright yellow spots





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**Flowers:** Insignificant  
**Other Aspects:** Indoor Use / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge.

#### Fatsia japonica

Formosa Rice Tree, Japanese Aralia, Japanese Fatsia  
*Syn. Aralia japonica, A. sieboldii*

#### A-H-L-M

**Family:** Araliaceae  
**Origin:** Japan and South Korea  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 4-9, 14-24; H1, H2  
**Exposure:** Shade to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate to high  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 5-8' tall x 5-8' wide  
**Foliage:** Fan-like, fingered, glossy dark green leaves  
**Flowers:** Noticeable white flowers from fall to winter  
**Fruits:** Showy black fruits following the blooms  
**Other Aspects:** Indoor Use / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Dwarf and a variegated leaf variety are known; can be selectively pruned to control height.

#### Feijoa sellowiana

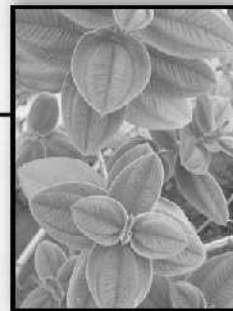
Pineapple Guava  
*Syn. Acca sellowiana*

#### b-G-L-M-P-Q

**Family:** Myrtaceae  
**Origin:** Northern Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 7-9, 12-24; H1, H2; (marginal in zone 6)  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Low to moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 15-25' tall x 15-25' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy deep green leaves above, grayish white beneath  
**Flowers:** Showy, edible red and white flowers from spring to summer that can be used in fruit salads or jellies







- Fruits:** Noticeable, edible gray-green fruits from fall to winter
- Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
- Additional Information:** Other improved varieties are known; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree; available as a small standard and multiple trunk tree; refer to Chapter 3 for additional information.

### Fouquieria splendens

Ocotillo

B-ii-L-m-O

- Family:** Fouquieriaceae
- Origin:** Low desert regions of southern California, Arizona, Nevada, Texas to Baja Mexico and northwestern Mexico
- Sunset Climate Zones:** 10-13, 18-20
- Exposure:** Sun
- Plant Character:** Deciduous
- Water Requirements:** Very low to low
- Growth Rate:** Slow
- Invasive Growth Habit:** None
- Height / Width:** 8-25' tall x 5-15' wide
- Foliage:** Bright green
- Flowers:** Showy red to deep red-orange, occasionally yellow flowers from spring to summer
- Other Aspects:** Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant-Possible / California Native
- Additional Information:** An overall upright form; white-stripped, dark green stems covered with spines to look out for.

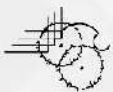
### Grewia occidentalis

Lavender Starflower

(Sold also as *Grewia caffra*)

ii-L-P-Q

- Family:** Tiliaceae
- Origin:** Southern Africa
- Sunset Climate Zones:** 8, 9, 12-24; H1, H2
- Exposure:** Sun
- Plant Character:** Evergreen
- Water Requirements:** Moderate
- Growth Rate:** Fast
- Invasive Growth Habit:** None
- Height / Width:** 6-10' tall x 6-10' wide
- Foliage:** Mid-green
- Flowers:** Showy lavender-pink flowers with yellow centers from spring to summer and may also continuously flower in the fall





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- Fruits:** Yellow-orange to purple fruits  
**Other Aspects:** Slope / Fire Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree.

#### **Heteromeles arbutifolia**

California Holly, Christmas Berry, Toyon

#### **B-J-I-M-N-O**

- Family:** Rosaceae  
**Origin:** Coast ranges from northern California to northern Baja California and the Sierra Nevada foothills  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 5-9, 14-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Very low to low  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 12-18'+ tall x 15-20' wide, but can be grown as a 15-25' tall tree  
**Foliage:** Dark green  
**Flowers:** Showy creamy white flowers from spring to summer  
**Fruits:** Showy, but harmful if eaten, red to yellow berries that are a food source for wildlife and birds  
**Other Aspects:** Slope-EC / Fire Resistant\* / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native  
**Additional Information:** \*Generally categorized as a fire resistant plant, but considered a fire risk plant in some garden literature

#### **Hibiscus rosa-sinensis**

Chinese Hibiscus, Hawaiian Hibiscus, Rose-of-China, Tropical Hibiscus

#### **H-L-P-Q**

- Family:** Malvaceae  
**Origin:** Unknown origin, but possibly tropical regions of Asia  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 9, 12-16, 19-24; H1, H2  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate to high  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 6-12'+ tall x 8-12' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy, dark green  
**Flowers:** Showy white, pink, red, yellow, orange, apricot or





**Other Aspects:** bicolor flowers in the summer  
**Additional Information:** Indoor Use / Fire Resistant  
 Numerous varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and can be trained as a patio tree; possibly susceptible to white fly infestation.

### Hibiscus syriacus

Rose of Sharon, Shrub Althaea

b-M-P

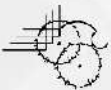
**Family:** Malvaceae  
**Origin:** China and India  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 2-24; H1  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Deciduous  
**Water Requirements:** Low to moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 8-12' tall x 6-8' wide  
**Foliage:** Dark green  
**Flowers:** Showy purple, red, pink, white, blue or bicolor flowers from summer to fall  
**Other Aspects:** Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Numerous varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier.

### Hydrangea macrophylla

Bigleaf Hydrangea, Florist's Hydrangea, Garden Hydrangea  
 Syn. *Hydrangea hortensia*, *H. opuloides*, *H. otaksa*

H-L-P-Q

**Family:** Hydrangeaceae (Saxifragaceae)  
**Origin:** Japan  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 3b-9, 14-24; H1  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Deciduous  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate to high  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 4-8'+ tall x 4-8'+ wide, but can grow to 12' tall in time  
**Foliage:** Glossy, dark green  
**Flowers:** Showy blue\*, white, pink or red flowers from spring to fall;  
 \*add aluminum sulfate to soil for consistently strong blue colored flowers.  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are available





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#### **Ilex x altaclerensis 'Wilsonii'**

Wilson Holly  
*Syn. Ilex wilsonii*

L-M-P-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Aquifoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Garden origin
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	3b-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-8'+ tall x 6-8'+ wide, but can easily grow 15-20' tall x 10-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy bright green, spiny leaves
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy bright red berries
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge

#### **Ilex aquifolium**

English Holly

b-C-ii-L-M-n-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Aquifoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	North Africa, western to southern Europe and western Asia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 14-17; (above 4,000 feet in zone H1)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Invasive in California coastal forest areas
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-25'+ tall x 10-15'+ wide, but can grow to 40' tall x 25' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy dark green leaves with spines on margins
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	May not bear fruits
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak-Hedge
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available that are smaller in size; can be a clipped hedge.



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#### **Ilex cornuta**

Chinese Holly

<b>Family:</b>	Aquifoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China and Korea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Growth Rate / Height and Width / Foliage / Fruits:</b>	

Ilex cornuta: Slow to moderate to 10-15' tall x 10-15' wide, with glossy dark green leaves with spines; needs long warm-season to bear bright red berries.

'Burfordii' (Burford Holly): Moderate to 8-12'+ tall x 8-12' wide with glossy green leaves that are nearly spineless with a single spine at the tip of the leaf; bears bright red berries.

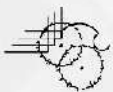
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Only 'Burfordii' can be grown or purchased as an espalier; both varieties listed can be a clipped hedge.

#### **Ilex vomitoria**

Yaupon Holly

b-L-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Aquifoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Florida to Texas to Virginia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 11-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-20' tall x 10-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Numerous scarlet-red berries
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; can be a clipped hedge.





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#### Jasminum humile

Italian Jasmine, Yellow Jasmine

**b-F-ii-M-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Afghanistan to the Himalayas and southwestern China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-10, 12-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen or semi-evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-12' tall x 8-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Bright green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant bright yellow flowers from summer to fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Another variety is known; can be a clipped hedge.

#### Jasminum mesnyi

Primrose Jasmine

*Syn. Jasminum primulinum*

**b-J-M-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southwestern China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10' tall x 10-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, deep green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy bright yellow flowers from winter to spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge

#### Juniperus chinensis 'Pfitzeriana'

Pfizer Juniper

**b-d-K-M-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Cupressaceae
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<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Mongolia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	A2, A3; 1-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	5-6' tall x 10-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Gray-green, unpleasantly scented leaves
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Extreme Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge

### Juniperus chinensis 'Torulosa'

Hollywood Juniper

Syn. *Juniperus chinensis* 'Kaizuka'

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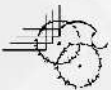
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<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Mongolia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	1-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-25' tall x 10-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Deep green, unpleasantly scented leaves
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Extreme Fire Risk / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Has an irregular, twisted-shape trunk; can be grown or purchased as an espalier.

### Juniperus sabina

Savin Juniper

b-d-J-K-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Cupressaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Central Europe, Siberia to northern China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	A2, A3; 1-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	4-6' tall x 5-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green, unpleasantly scented leaves





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**Flowers:** Insignificant  
**Other Aspects:** Slope-EC / Extreme Fire Risk / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge.

#### Lavatera assurgentiflora

Tree Mallow

**b-ii-M-O**

**Family:** Malvaceae  
**Origin:** Santa Catalina and Santa Barbara Islands (off southern California)  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 14-24  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Low to moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate to fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 7-15' tall x 7-15' wide  
**Foliage:** Maple-like, mid-green leaves  
**Flowers:** Showy dark pink to light purple flowers with white stripes from spring to summer  
**Other Aspects:** Slope / Deer Resistant / California Native

Lavatera bicolor, see Lavatera maritima

#### Lavatera maritima

*Syn. Lavatera bicolor, L. maritima var. bicolor*

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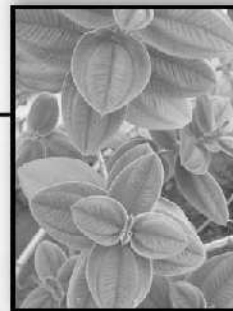
**Family:** Malvaceae  
**Origin:** Western Mediterranean  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 6-9, 12-24  
**Exposure:** Generally shade to partial; but can tolerate a full sun exposure  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Low to moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 6-8' tall x 8-12' wide  
**Foliage:** Maple-like, gray-green leaves  
**Flowers:** Showy white or light pink flowers with purple centers and veins from spring to fall





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**Other Aspects:** Slope / Deer Resistant

#### **Leptospermum laevigatum**

Australian Tea Tree

B-J-L-M-Q

**Family:** Myrtaceae  
**Origin:** Southern Australia  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 14-24; H1, H2  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Low  
**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height and Width / Flowers:**

Leptospermum laevigatum: 10-25' tall x 10-25' wide that can be grown as a small tree with a twisted trunk, with showy white flowers in the spring  
'Compactum': 5-8' tall x 5-8' wide, with noticeable white flowers in the spring

**Foliage:** Dull green to grey-green  
**Other Aspects:** Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Both varieties can be a clipped hedge

#### **Leptospermum scoparium**

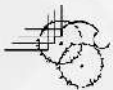
Manuka, New Zealand Tea Tree

M-p-Q

**Family:** Myrtaceae  
**Origin:** New Zealand and southeastern Australia  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 14-24; H1, H2  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height and Width / Flowers:**

Showy flowers from winter to spring, which may also continuously bloom in the summer  
Leptospermum scoparium: 5-10' tall x 4-6' wide, with white, pink or red flowers

'Helene Strybing': 6-10' tall x 6-10' wide, with deep pink flowers  
'Ruby Glow': 6-10' tall x 6-10' wide, with deep red flowers  
**Foliage:** Tiny, needle-like, mid-green to dark green leaves  
**Other Aspects:** Deer Resistant





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**Additional Information:** 'Helene Strybing' can be grown or purchased as an espalier; all varieties listed can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree.

#### **Leucophyllum frutescens**

Barometer Bush, Cenizo, Texas Ranger, Texas Sage, Texas Silver Leaf  
*Syn. Leucophyllum texanum*

#### **B-L-M-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Scrophulariaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	New Mexico, Texas to northern Mexico
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	7-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-8' tall x 6-8' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Silvery grey
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy violet to purple flowers from fall to spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge.

#### **Ligustrum japonicum**

Japanese Privet, Wax-Leaf Privet

#### **L-M-p-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Northern China, Japan and Korea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	Ligustrum japonicum: 10-12' tall x 8-12' wide, that can be grown as a small tree 'Texanum' (Sold also as Ligustrum japonicum): 6-9' tall x 4-7' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy dark green leaves above and pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white to yellow flowers from spring to summer
<b>Fruits:</b>	Purplish black berries in the fall



**Other Aspects:**

Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant

**Additional Information:**

'Texanum' can be grown or purchased as an espalier and trained as a patio tree; both varieties can be a clipped hedge.

Lycianthes rantonnetii, see Solanum rantonnetii

**Mahonia lomariifolia**

Venetian Blind Mahonia

A-b-ii-L-M-N

**Family:**

Berberiadaceae

**Origin:**

Western China

**Sunset Climate Zones:**

7-9, 14-24; (borderline in zone 6)

**Exposure:**

Shade to partial

**Plant Character:**

Evergreen

**Water Requirements:**

Low to moderate

**Growth Rate:**

Moderate

**Invasive Growth Habit:**

None

**Height / Width:**

6-12' tall x 6-8' wide

**Foliage:**

Deep green

**Flowers:**

Showy yellow flowers from winter to spring

**Fruits:**

Showy blue fruits from spring to summer

**Other Aspects:**

Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak

Malosma laurina, see Rhus laurina

**Michelia doltsopa**

Sweet Michelia

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**Family:**

Magnoliaceae

**Origin:**

Western to southwestern China, Tibet and the eastern Himalayas

**Sunset Climate Zones:**

14-24; H1, H2

**Exposure:**

Sun to partial

**Plant Character:**

Evergreen

**Water Requirements:**

Moderate

**Growth Rate:**

Slow

**Invasive Growth Habit:**

None

**Height / Width:**

15-25' tall x 10-15' wide, but 50-90' where it is native

**Foliage:**

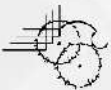
Dark green above and grayish beneath

**Flowers:**

Noticeable brownish buds in the winter that emerge showy, fragrant cream to white flowers from spring to summer

**Additional Information:**

Can be selectively pruned to control height; can be grown as a small tree.





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#### **Michelia figo**

Banana Shrub

*Syn. Michelia fuscata*

F-M-P

<b>Family:</b>	Magnoliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	9, 14-24; H1, H2; (borderline in zone 6)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-9'+ tall x 4-7+ wide, but can grow to a mature height of up to 15' tall
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green above and pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant creamy yellow flowers edged with brownish purple from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Another variety is known; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be selectively pruned to control height.

#### **Monstera deliciosa**

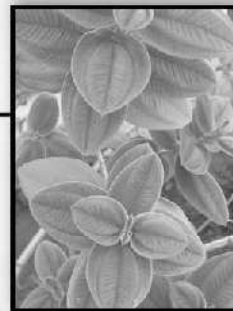
Ceriman, Hurricane Plant, Mexican Breadfruit, Split-Leaf Philodendron, Swiss-Cheese Plant, Windowleaf

*Syn. Philodendron pertusum*

G-H-n

<b>Family:</b>	Araceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southern Mexico to Panama
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	16, 17, 22-24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10'+ tall x 10-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Large, oblong, glossy mid-green to dark green leaves that are perforated and serrated at maturity; young leaves are solid.
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white flowers that bloom with maturity
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable cream fruits, edible when ripe, but harmful if eaten before it is ripe



**Other Aspects:****Additional Information:**

Indoor Use / Oak-Possible  
 Variegated leaf varieties, 'Albovariegata' and 'Variegata' are available, but not as common as *Monstera deliciosa*; can be trained as a vine.

**Myrica californica**

Pacific Wax Myrtle

a-b-J-M-N-O-Q

**Family:**

Myricaceae

**Origin:**

Coastal ranges from Los Angeles County, southern California to Washington

**Sunset Climate Zones:**

4-9, 14-24

**Exposure:**

Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure

**Plant Character:**

Evergreen

**Water Requirements:**

Low to moderate

**Growth Rate:**

Moderate

**Invasive Growth Habit:**

None

**Height / Width:**

10-25'+ tall x 10-25'+ wide

**Foliage:**

Glossy dark green above and pale green beneath

**Flowers:**

Insignificant

**Fruits:**

Purplish fruits from summer to fall that are attractive to birds

**Other Aspects:**

Slope-EC / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native

**Additional Information:**

Can be a clipped hedge or grown as a small tree

**Myrtus communis**

Myrtle

b-D-f-J-L-M-N-Q

**Family:**

Myrtaceae

**Origin:**

Mediterranean

**Sunset Climate Zones:**

8-24; H1, H2

**Exposure:**

Sun to partial

**Plant Character:**

Evergreen

**Water Requirements:**

Low to moderate

**Growth Rate / Height and Width:**

*Myrtus communis*: Moderate to fast, but slows down with age, to 8-10'+ tall x 8-10'+ wide  
 'Compacta': Slow to moderate, to 5-8' tall x 5-8' wide

**Invasive Growth Habit:**

None

**Foliage:**

Glossy, bright green, fragrant leaves when crushed

**Flowers:**

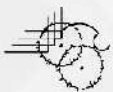
Noticeable, slightly fragrant creamy white flowers from spring to summer

**Fruits:**

Showy, purplish to black fruits in the fall

**Other Aspects:**

Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak





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**Additional Information:** Can be a clipped hedge; *Myrtus communis* can be grown as a small multiple trunk tree.

#### **Nerium oleander**

Oleander, Rose Bay

Syn. *Nerium indicum*, *N. odorum*

#### **b-C-J-K-M-N-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Apocynaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Spain, North Africa, Eastern Mediterranean, Persian Gulf and possibly western China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8-16, 18-24; H1, H2; (seen grown in zone 17)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Invasive in riparian areas throughout California
<b>Height and Width / Flowers:</b>	Showy flowers from spring to summer Nerium oleander: 8-12' tall x 8-12' wide, with white, pink, red, salmon or yellow flowers 'Algiers': 10-12' tall x 10-12' wide, with deep red flowers 'Mrs. Roeding': 6-8' tall x 6-8' wide, with pink to salmon flowers 'Sister Agnes': 12-15' tall x 12-15' wide, with white flowers
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to dark green
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant / Oak
<b>Additional Information:</b>	All parts are poisonous if eaten; can be a clipped hedge; refer to Chapter 5 for additional information on other varieties.

#### **Olea europaea 'Little Ollie'™**

Dwarf Olive

#### **b-c-ii-L-M-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Mediterranean
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 11-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Possibly invasive like the tree form Olive
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-12' + tall x 6-12' wide





<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Bears little to no fruit
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge; refer to Chapter 3 for additional information on the various tree forms.

### Osmanthus fragrans

Fragrant Olive, Sweet Olive, Tea Olive

a-F-H-L-N-P-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Himalayas
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 12-24; H1; (protection in zones 5-7)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10'+ tall x 6-8'+ wide; can reach 30' tall x 10-12' wide with time.
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, mid-green to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Tiny, fragrant white flowers from spring to summer
<b>Fruits:</b>	Bluish black fruits
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant / Oak
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge

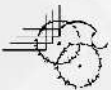
### Osmanthus heterophyllus

False Holly, Holly-Leaf Osmanthus

Syn. *Osmanthus ilicifolius*

F-N-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Oleaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Japan and Taiwan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-10, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-20' tall x 15-25' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy dark green leaves with spines that resemble an Ilex (Holly) species
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant, but fragrant cream flowers from fall to winter
<b>Fruits:</b>	Bluish black fruits
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Oak
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; can be a clipped hedge.





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Osmanthus ilicifolius, see Osmanthus heterophyllus

#### **Philodendron bipinnatifidum**

Cut-Leaf Philodendron, Tree Philodendron

Syn. *Philodendron johnsii*, *P. selloum*

#### **A-H-M**

<b>Family:</b>	Araceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southeastern Brazil
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 12-24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Shade to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Large, heart-shaped and deeply serrated, mid-green leaves
<b>Flowers:</b>	Rarely seen, but showy green to purplish red spathes that emerge greenish white flowers
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known

Philodendron selloum, see Philodendron bipinnatifidum

#### **Photinia x fraseri**

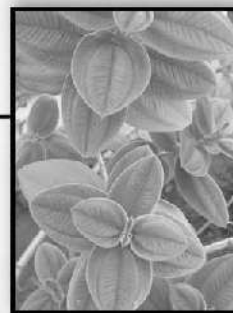
Fraser's Photinia, Red Tip, Red-Leaf Photinia

#### **L-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Garden Origin
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; (protection in zone 3b)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-15' tall x 10-15' + wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are bronze to bright red, maturing to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant







**Additional Information:** Other varieties are known; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree; susceptible to powdery mildew and fireblight; hybrid between *Photinia glabra* and *P. serratifolia*.

### **Photinia serratifolia**

Chinese Photinia  
Syn. *Photinia serrulata*

E-L-Q

**Family:** Rosaceae  
**Origin:** China  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 4-16, 18-22; (prone to mildew in zones 17, 23, 24)  
**Exposure:** Sun  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 10-12'+ tall x 10-12'+ wide; possibly can grow to a 30-35' tall  
**Foliage:** New leaves are bright reddish bronze that turn deep red-bronze from fall to winter  
**Flowers:** Showy white flowers in the spring  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are known; susceptible to powdery mildew and fireblight; can be a clipped hedge.

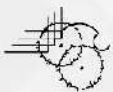
*Photinia serrulata*, see *Photinia serratifolia*

### **Pittosporum tenuifolium**

Kohuhu  
Syn. *Pittosporum nigricans*

F-L-Q

**Family:** Pittosporaceae  
**Origin:** New Zealand  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 9, 14-17, 19-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 15-25' tall x 10-20' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy, mid-green to deep green  
**Flowers:** Insignificant, but fragrant, dark purple flowers in the spring  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant





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**Additional Information:** Other varieties are known; can be a clipped hedge; noticeable grayish to black stems.

#### **Pittosporum tobira**

Japanese Mock Orange, Tobira

##### **b-F-ii-L-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Pittosporaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China, Japan and Korea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8-24; H1, H2; (possible in zones 4-7)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Shiny dark green leaves above and pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant, but fragrant, creamy white flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other dwarf varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge and grown as a small tree.

#### **Plumbago auriculata**

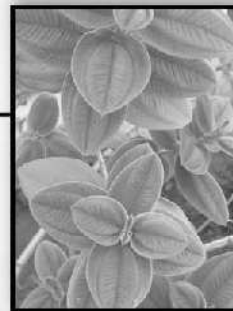
Cape Leadwort, Cape Plumbago, Skyflower

Syn. *Plumbago capensis*

##### **b-J-L-M-N-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Plumbaginaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	South Africa
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 12-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen, semi-evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	5-6' tall x 8-12' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to pale green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white to light blue flowers from spring to fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be clipped hedge and grown as a vine; refer to Chapter 7 for additional information.





Plumbago capensis, see Plumbago auriculata  
Podocarpus macrophyllus, see Chapter 2

### Podocarpus macrophyllus maki

Shrubby Yew Pine

H-L-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Podocarpaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Eastern China and Japan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 12-24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-15' tall x 2-4' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Needle-like, mid-green to dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge; smallest of the yews.

### Prunus caroliniana 'Bright 'n Tight'™

Compact Carolina Laurel Cherry  
(Sold also as *Prunus caroliniana* 'Monus')

b-L-M-Q

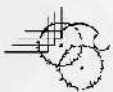
<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Eastern United States, from central Virginia to northern Florida and Louisiana
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-10' tall x 6-8' wide, but may reach a larger size, if untrimmed
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, deep green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white flowers from winter to spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Black fruits that can be a nuisance in the summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge

### Prunus ilicifolia ilicifolia

Hollyleaf Cherry

B-G-J-L-N-O-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
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<b>Origin:</b>	Foothills and valleys from Napa Valley, northern California to Baja California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-9, 12-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-25' tall x 10-25' wide, but can be trained as a 30' tall tree
<b>Foliage:</b>	New light green leaves that mature to deep green, with spines
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white flowers in the spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Dark-red to purple-red, edible fruits in the summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge

### **Prunus laurocerasus**

English Laurel

F-L-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Eastern Europe to southwestern Asia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 14-24; (best in zones 4-6, 15-17)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-30' tall x 15-30' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable, fragrant creamy white flowers in the summer
<b>Fruits:</b>	Small, black fruits
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other smaller varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge.

### **Punica granatum**

Pomegranate

b-E-G-J-L-M-n

<b>Family:</b>	Punicaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southeastern Europe and the Himalayas
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	5-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun





<b>Plant Character:</b>	Deciduous
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height and Width / Flowers:</b>	Showy flowers from spring to summer Punica granatum: 12-18' tall x 12-18' wide, with red to orange or white flowers 'Wonderful': 8-10' tall x 8-10' wide, with orange-red flowers
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are bronzy, maturing to glossy, bright green or yellowish green, then turning bright yellow in the fall
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy, edible red fruits in the fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak-Possible
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### Pyracantha coccinea

Firethorn, Scarlet Firethorn

b-C-f-ii-L-M-P-Q

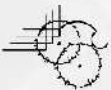
<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Mediterranean
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	3-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	Invasive throughout central California coastal areas
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-12'+ tall x 8-12'+ wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, unpleasantly scented, creamy white flowers in the spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy red-orange berries from summer to fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can also be a clipped hedge; heavily armed with thorns on the branches to look out for.

### Rhamnus californica

California Coffeeberry

a-b-J-L-N-O

<b>Family:</b>	Rhamnaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Coastal foothill regions from northern California to Baja California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-9, 14-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to moderate





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<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-15' tall x 8-12'+ wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dull dark green to yellowish green leaves above, pale green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Insignificant
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable green berries that eventually ripen to red or black in the fall
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are available; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### **Rhaphiolepis x 'Majestic Beauty'™**

(Sold also as *Rhaphiolepis x 'Montic'*)

**b-F-ii-L-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8-10, 12-24; H1, H2; (possible in zones 4-7)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-12' tall x 6-12' wide; can be trained to a 8-12' tall patio tree
<b>Foliage:</b>	Deep green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy, fragrant pink flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree.

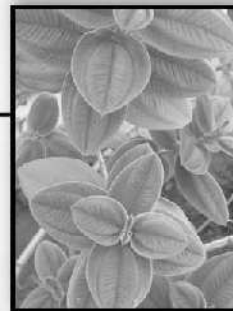
### **Rhus integrifolia**

Lemonade Berry

**B-G-J-L-M-N-O-P-Q**

<b>Family:</b>	Anacardiaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Coastal ranges and foothills from Santa Barbara County, southern California to Baja California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	8, 9, 14-17, 19-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to low





<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Dark green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable, pink or white flowers from winter to spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy, edible reddish fruits that have a lemon-like scent; tart pulp can be used for flavoring drinks.
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and grown as a multiple trunk tree

### Rhus laurina

Laurel Sumac  
Syn. *Malosma laurina*

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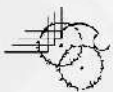
<b>Family:</b>	Anacardiaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Coastal ranges and foothills from Santa Barbara County, southern California to northern Baja California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	14-17, 19-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15' tall x 6-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Slightly fragrant light green leaves
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white flowers from spring to summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Risk / Deer Resistant / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be a clipped hedge

### Rhus ovata

Sugar Bush

b-ii-L-M-N-O-P-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Anacardiaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Near the coastal range, inland foothills from Santa Barbara County, southern California to Baja California
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	9-12, 14-24
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Very low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow to moderate
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	4-10'+ tall x 4-10'+ wide





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<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, mid-green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable cream to pink flowers in the spring
<b>Fruits:</b>	Noticeable reddish berries in the summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope/ Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak / California Native
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be a clipped hedge and can be grown as a multiple trunk tree to 25' tall and just as wide

#### **Rosa banksiae**

Banksia Rose, Lady Banks' Rose

Syn. *Rosa banksiae* var. *alba*, *R. banksiae* 'Alba Plena'

b-f-J-L-P

<b>Family:</b>	Rosaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Central to western China
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	4-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen, cold-deciduous
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low to moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-20' tall x 15-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Glossy, pale green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy flowers from winter to spring 'Alba Plena': Fragrant white flowers 'Lutea': Non-fragrant yellow flowers
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope-EC / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Both varieties bear a minimum of thorns; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and grown as a vine or ground cover; refer to Chapter 7 for additional information.

#### **Schefflera actinophylla**

Australian Ivy Palm, Octopus Tree, Queensland Umbrella Tree, Schefflera, Umbrella Tree

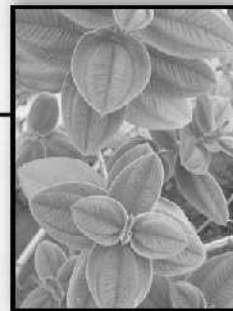
Syn. *Brassaia actinophylla*

a-H-I

<b>Family:</b>	Araliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	North to northeastern Australia and south to southeastern New Guinea
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	21-24; H1, H2; (with protection, borderline in zones 16-20)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen







<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	20-40' tall x 20-40' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	8-12" oblong, elliptical, glossy bright green (6-16 leaflets) that radiate outward like an umbrella in form
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable, brownish pink to dull red flowers from summer to fall that age to yellowish green to pink to a deep red; often called the Octopus Tree due to the flower spikes that resemble the tentacles of an octopus.
<b>Fruits:</b>	Globose, red to black
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant-Possible
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Similar characteristics to a Schefflera pueckleri, but has an overall open growth habit, but can be cut to the base to create a more dense appearance

### Schefflera arboricola

Hawaiian Elf Schefflera

*Syn. Heptapleurum arboricolum*

a-H-I-P

<b>Family:</b>	Araliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Taiwan
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	23, 24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	High
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-15'+ tall x 6-15'+ tall
<b>Foliage / Flowers:</b>	Fingered, small leaves; noticeable flowers from spring to summer, but rarely flowers. Schefflera arboricola: Glossy dark green leaves, with yellow flowers that turn bronze with maturity 'Variegata': Glossy green and yellow variegated leaves, with yellow flowers
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant-Possible
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier

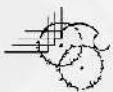
### Schefflera elegantissima

False Aralia

*Syn. Aralia elegantissima, Dizygotheca elegantissima*

a-H-I

<b>Family:</b>	Araliaceae
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<b>Origin:</b>	New Caledonia (island off the eastern coast of Australia)
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	16, 17, 22-24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-25' tall x 15-25' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Distinctively toothed, long, narrow elliptical, glossy dark green leaves above and dark brownish green beneath
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable greenish yellow flowers in the summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant-Possible

#### **Schefflera pueckleri**

Mallet Flower, Tupidanthus  
*Syn. Tupidanthus calyptratus*

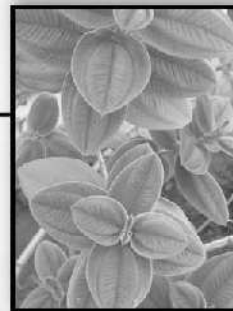
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<b>Family:</b>	Araliaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	India to Cambodia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	19-24; H1, H2; or indoors
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial, but can tolerate a shade exposure
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate to high
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-20' tall x 15-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Nearly identical to <i>Schefflera actinophylla</i> with 8-12" oblong, elliptical, glossy bright to mid-green leaves that also radiates outward like an umbrella in form; leaflets are flat and overall more dense than of <i>Schefflera actinophylla</i>
<b>Flowers:</b>	Noticeable greenish flowers in the summer
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Indoor Use / Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown as a small multiple or standard trunk tree; similar characteristics as a <i>Schefflera actinophylla</i> , but overall growth habit is more dense and branches at the base.



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#### **Solanum rantonnetii**

Blue Potato Bush, Paraguay Nightshade  
*Syn. Lycianthes cantonei, L. rantonnetii*

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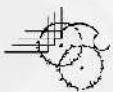
<b>Family:</b>	Solanaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Argentina and Paraguay
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	12, 13, 15-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen, cold-deciduous
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height and Width / Flowers:</b>	Showy flowers from spring to fall Solanum rantonnetii: 8-12' tall x 6-10' wide; can be trained as a tree or vine up to 12-15' tall; with purple flowers with yellow centers 'Royal Robe': 6-8' tall x 6-8' wide, with dark purple flowers with yellow centers
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to dark green
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be a clipped hedge, trained as a vine, ground cover, small patio tree and can be grown or purchased as an espalier; refer to Chapter 7 for additional information.

#### **Syzygium paniculatum 'Compactum'**

Compact Brush Cherry  
*Syn. Eugenia myrtifolia 'Compactum', E. paniculata 'Compactum'*

G-M-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Myrtaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Northeastern Australia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	16, 17, 20-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	10-15' tall x 10-15' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	New leaves are reddish bronze that mature to glossy deep green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white flowers in the summer
<b>Fruits:</b>	Showy, edible purplish red, tasteless fruits that are used for jellies, following the flowers





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**Other Aspects:** Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Can be a clipped hedge and trained as a patio tree

#### **Taxus baccata**

English Yew

A-K-M-Q

**Family:** Taxaceae  
**Origin:** Europe, North Africa to Iran  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** A3; 3-9, 14-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to shade  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:**

*Taxus baccata*: 25-40'+ tall x 15-25' wide, but can grow to 85' tall in time

**Foliage:** 'Stricta' (Irish Yew) - (Syn. 'Fastigiata'): 15-30' tall x 3-10' wide  
Glossy, needle-like, dark green leaves above, pale green beneath  
**Flowers:** Insignificant  
**Fruits:** Showy red fruits  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Risk / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Can be a clipped hedge; very long-lived plant.

#### **Tecoma capensis**

Cape Honeysuckle

*Syn. Bignonia capensis, Tecomaria capensis, T. petersii*

ii-L-M-P

**Family:** Bignoniaceae  
**Origin:** Southern Africa  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 12, 13, 20-24; H1, H2; (protection in zones 14, 15, 18, 19)  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 6-8' tall x 12-15' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy, mid-green to dark green





<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy bright orange to red flowers from summer to winter
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Other varieties are known; can be grown or purchased as an espalier, can be trained as a vine to 15-25' tall and trained as a patio tree; can be selectively pruned to control height; refer to Chapter 7 for additional information.

### Tecoma stans

Trumpet Bush, Yellow Bells, Yellow Elder, Yellow Trumpet Flower  
 Syn. *Bignonia stans*, *Stenolobium stans*

B-L-P

<b>Family:</b>	Bignoniaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Southern United States to Guatemala and Argentina
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	12, 13, 21-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-25' tall x 10-20' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Bright green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy bright yellow flowers from spring to winter
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Can be grown or purchased as an espalier and can be trained as a patio or small tree

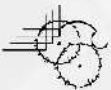
*Tecomaria capensis*, see *Tecoma capensis*

### Thevetia peruviana

Be-Still Tree, Lucky Nut, Yellow Oleander  
 Syn. *Thevetia neriifolia*

F-Q

<b>Family:</b>	Apocynaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Tropical Central to South America
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	13, 21-24; H1, H 2; (seen grown in zone 18)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Moderate
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	6-10' tall x 6-10' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Mid-green to dark green





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- Flowers:** Showy, fragrant yellow to apricot flowers from summer to fall  
**Fruits:** Red fruits that mature to black  
**Additional Information:** Can be trained as a patio tree, can be a clipped hedge and grown as a 15-20' tall tree

#### **Thuja occidentalis 'Woodwardii'**

American Arborvitae

e-K-Q

- Family:** Cupressaceae  
**Origin:** China and Iran  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** A2, A3; 1-9, 15-17, 21-24; H1, H2  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Slow to moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 8-10' tall x 15-20' wide  
**Foliage:** Bright green to yellow-green leaves that may turn brown in the winter  
**Flowers:** Insignificant  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Risk  
**Additional Information:** Can also be a clipped hedge

#### **Tibouchina urvilleana**

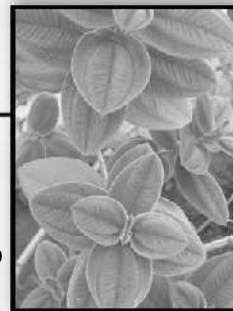
Brazilian Spider Flower, Glory Bush, Princess Flower

*Syn. Pleroma grandiflora, P. macrantha, P. splendens, Tibouchina grandiflora, T. semidecandra*

h-M-P

- Family:** Melastomataceae  
**Origin:** Brazil  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 16, 17, 21-24; H1, H2; (protection in zones 14, 15)  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate to high  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate to fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 5-18' tall x 3-10' wide  
**Foliage:** New leaves are hairy, bronzy red and orange maturing to mid-green to dark green with red, orange or yellow spots with maturity





- Flowers:** Showy deep purple flowers from spring to winter
- Other Aspects:** Indoor Use-Possible / Deer Resistant
- Additional Information:** Has an overall open growth habit; can be selectively pruned to either control height or to bush out; can be grown or purchased as an espalier or trained as a patio tree; can be grown indoors in a cold climate.

Tupidanthus calypratus, see Schefflera pueckleri

### Viburnum x burkwoodii

Burkwood Viburnum

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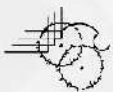
- Family:** Caprifoliaceae
- Origin:** Garden Origin
- Sunset Climate Zones:** 2-12, 14-24
- Exposure:** Sun to partial
- Plant Character:** Evergreen, cold-deciduous
- Water Requirements:** Low to moderate
- Growth Rate:** Moderate
- Invasive Growth Habit:** None
- Height / Width:** 6-12' tall x 4-8' wide
- Foliage:** Glossy dark green leaves above, hairy and white underneath turning purplish green in cold weather
- Flowers:** Showy, fragrant white to pink flowers in the winter or spring
- Fruits:** Red fruits ripen to bluish black in the fall
- Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
- Additional Information:** Other varieties are known; can be grown or purchased as an espalier; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### Viburnum japonicum

Japanese Viburnum

F-L-M

- Family:** Caprifoliaceae
- Origin:** Japan
- Sunset Climate Zones:** 5-10, 12, 14-24
- Exposure:** Sun to partial
- Plant Character:** Evergreen
- Water Requirements:** Moderate
- Growth Rate:** Moderate
- Invasive Growth Habit:** None
- Height / Width:** 10-15' tall x 8-12' wide
- Foliage:** Glossy, dark green
- Flowers:** Noticeable, fragrant white flowers in the spring





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- Fruits:** Noticeable, bright red fruits from fall to winter  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Can be grown as a small tree; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### Viburnum rhytidophyllum

Leatherleaf Viburnum

#### A-F-L-M

- Family:** Caprifoliaceae  
**Origin:** Central to western China  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 3-9, 14-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to shade  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen, cold-deciduous  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 8-15' tall x 6-12' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy dark green leaves that are wrinkled above and hairy beneath  
**Flowers:** Showy, fragrant creamy white flowers in the spring  
**Fruits:** Showy red fruits that mature to black  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are known; can be selectively pruned to control height.

### Viburnum suspensum

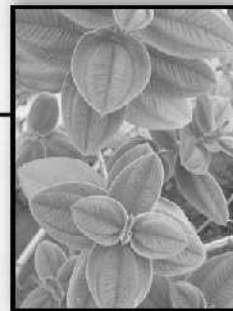
Sandankwa Viburnum

#### f-L-M-N-Q

- Family:** Caprifoliaceae  
**Origin:** Japan  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 12-24; (possible, but risky in cold winters of zones 8-10)  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 8-10' tall x 8-10' wide  
**Foliage:** Glossy, deep green  
**Flowers:** Showy, unpleasantly scented white flowers in the spring  
**Fruits:** Noticeable red fruits that mature to black







**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak  
**Additional Information:** Can be a clipped hedge

### Viburnum tinus

Laurustinus

f-L-M-N-Q

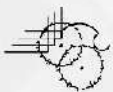
**Family:** Caprifoliaceae  
**Origin:** Mediterranean  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 4-10, 12-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 6-12' tall x 6-12' wide  
**Foliage:** Dark green  
**Flowers:** Showy, slightly fragrant pinkish white flowers from fall to spring  
**Fruits:** Showy metallic blue-black fruits in the summer  
**Other Aspects:** Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant / Oak  
**Additional Information:** Other varieties are available; can be a clipped hedge and trained as a small tree.

### Xylosma congestum

Shiny Xylosma

b-J-L-N-P-Q

**Family:** Flacourtiaceae  
**Origin:** Southern China  
**Sunset Climate Zones:** 8-24  
**Exposure:** Sun to partial  
**Plant Character:** Evergreen  
**Water Requirements:** Low to moderate  
**Growth Rate:** Moderate to fast  
**Invasive Growth Habit:** None  
**Height / Width:** 8-10' tall x 8-10'+ wide  
**Foliage:** New leaves are shiny bronze, maturing to shiny yellow-green  
**Flowers:** Insignificant  
**Other Aspects:** Slope-EC / Fire Resistant / Oak  
**Additional Information:** Dwarf variety is available; can be grown or purchased as an espalier and a clipped hedge; can tolerate air pollution; refer to Chapter 5 for additional information on the dwarf shrub-form 'Compactum'.





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#### Yucca aloifolia

Dagger Plant, Spanish Bayonet

**B-L-M**

<b>Family:</b>	Agavaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Coastal areas of southeastern United States from Louisiana, Florida to Virginia
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	7-24; H1, H2
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Slow
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	8-10' tall x 4-5'+ wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Stiff, sword-like, dark green leaves with spines at the tips to look out for
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy white flowers in the summer that is sometimes purple-tinged
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Variegated leaf variety is available

#### Yucca elephantipes

Giant Yucca

Syn. *Yucca gigantea*, *Y. guatemalensis*

(May also be sold under *Yucca gloriosa* in the Western United States)

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<b>Family:</b>	Agavaceae
<b>Origin:</b>	Mexico to Central America
<b>Sunset Climate Zones:</b>	16, 17, 19-24; H1, H2; (protected from the afternoon sun and hard frost in zones 12, 13)
<b>Exposure:</b>	Sun to partial
<b>Plant Character:</b>	Evergreen
<b>Water Requirements:</b>	Low
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	Moderate to fast
<b>Invasive Growth Habit:</b>	None
<b>Height / Width:</b>	15-30' tall x 6-8' wide
<b>Foliage:</b>	Stiff, sword-like, deep green leaves with spines at the tips to look out for
<b>Flowers:</b>	Showy creamy white flowers in the spring
<b>Other Aspects:</b>	Slope / Fire Resistant / Deer Resistant
<b>Additional Information:</b>	Usually grown and seen as a multiple trunk

