



**YOLO COUNTY MASTER GARDENER**  
**RECOMMENDED TREES FOR YOLO COUNTY**

The trees on this list have been selected because they grow well in our climate and are suitable to our local soils and water. They have few serious insect and disease problems; they are easy to maintain and are not messy. Most have other good attributes such as flowers, fall color, beautiful structure, attractive bark, etc. They are generally easy to find as well. The height and width are approximate for 20 year-old trees.

**DECIDUOUS**

- Cercis canadensis* eastern redbud; 16' by 16'; pink flowers in early spring; persistent pods.
- Chionanthus retusus* Chinese fringe tree; 18' by 15'; pure white flowers in spring; olive-like fruit.
- Crataegus phaenopyrum* Washington hawthorn; 20' by 15'; white flowers, red berries, fall color; resists fireblight; o.k. in lawns.
- Koelreuteria elegans*  
subspecies *formosana* Formosan flame tree; 30' by 30'; yellow flowers, spectacular red pods in fall; o.k. in lawns.
- Lagerstroemia* hybrids hybrid crape myrtle; 18' by 15', varies; most are tree-like; all are mildew resistant. Beautiful bark, good fall color; all have colorful flowers in summer.
- Prunus campanulata* Taiwan flowering cherry; 18' by 15'; brilliant magenta flowers, red fruit.
- Quercus douglasii* blue oak; 20' by 30'; Yolo County native; drought tolerant; good drainage.
- Quercus lobata* valley oak; 40' by 30'; Yolo County's largest native tree.
- Quercus macrocarpa* bur oak; 28' by 25'; large leaves, o.k. in lawns.
- Quercus muehlenbergii* chinquapin oak; 35' by 30'; o.k. in lawns.
- Quercus robur* English oak; 35' by 40'; o.k. in lawns.
- Taxodium distichum* bald cypress; 38' by 18'; good in lawns.
- Taxodium mucronatum* Montezuma cypress; 45' by 35'; very late fall color, good in lawns.



## EVERGREENS

<i>Abies nordmanniana</i>	Nordmann fir; 18' by 9'; formal; fragrant leaves.
<i>Arbutus 'Marina'</i>	hybrid strawberry tree; 18' by 18'; pink flowers; red fruit, orange bark.
<i>Brahea edulis</i>	Guadalupe Island palm; 15' by 10'; bright green clean leaves.
<i>Cedrus deodara</i>	deodar cedar; 50' by 30'; graceful blue-green tree.
<i>Crinodendron patagua</i>	Chilean lily-of-the-valley tree; 20' by 18'; white flowers in spring; small brown pods in summer.
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian cypress; 40' by 8'; 'Swane's Golden' has yellow-green new foliage.
<i>Eriobotrya deflexa</i>	bronze loquat; 17' by 17'; tropical look; coppery new growth; white flowers; pale bark; small fruit.
<i>Pinus canariensis</i>	Canary Island pine; 50' by 30'; graceful long needles.
<i>Quercus suber</i>	cork oak; 27' by 25'; drought tolerant; needs good drainage.
<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	southern live oak; 28' by 36'; o.k. in lawns.
<i>Raphiolepis 'Montic'</i>	Majestic Beauty <sup>TM</sup> raphiolepis; 18' by 15'; pink flowers.
<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>	coast redwood; 55' by 20'; needs water; best in groves; many varieties.
<i>Trachycarpus species</i>	windmill palm; 15' by 6'; dark green leaves.
<i>Umbellularia californica</i>	California bay; 20' by 22'; fragrant leaves; Yolo County native.
<i>Xylosma congestum</i>	xylosma; 20' by 20'; tiny fragrant flowers, shiny leaves; tolerates shade.

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