



## Tree Picks for Southern Nevada

Mastic Tree (Pistacia lentiscus)	<ul> <li>Medium tree or shrub (Avg. 15'h x 20'w)</li> <li>Avg. 236 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Evergreen, moderately slow growth rate</li> <li>Small green flowers in spring</li> <li>Low water usage once established</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Full summer sun; cold tolerant to 25° F</li> <li>USDA zones 9-11</li> </ul>	
Chaste Tree (Vitex agnus-castus)	<ul> <li>Small tree or shrub (Avg. 20'h x 25'w) single/multi trunk</li> <li>Avg. 368 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Deciduous, moderate growth rate</li> <li>7"- 8" purple flower spikes in spring and fall; also white and pink varieties available, but less common</li> <li>Moderate water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Full summer sun to part shade; cold tolerant to -10° F</li> <li>USDA zones 6-9</li> </ul>	
Desert Willow (Chilopsis linearis)	<ul> <li>Small tree (Avg. 25'h x 20w')</li> <li>Avg. 236 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Deciduous, moderate growth rate</li> <li>White, pink or red flowers in spring and fall</li> <li>Moderate water use</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Tolerates full sun and heat; cold tolerant to 10° F</li> <li>USDA zones 7-9</li> </ul>	
Texas Mountain Laurel (Dermatophyllum secundiflorum)	<ul> <li>Medium tree (Avg. 15'h x 12'w)</li> <li>Avg. 85 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Evergreen, slow growth rate</li> <li>Fragrant purple flowers in spring</li> <li>Low water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Tolerates full or part sun; cold tolerant to 5° F</li> <li>USDA zones 7b-11</li> </ul>	
Chilean Mesquite <i>(Prosopis -</i> 'thornless' hybrid mesquite)	<ul> <li>Large tree (Avg. 30'h x 30'w)</li> <li>Avg. 530 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Semi-evergreen , fast growing</li> <li>Yellow flowers spring and fall</li> <li>Low to moderate water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Tolerates full sun; cold tolerant to 10° F</li> <li>USDA zones 9-11</li> </ul>	

Texas Ebony (Ebenopsis ebano)	<ul> <li>Medium tree (Avg. 25h x 20w)</li> <li>Avg. 236 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Semi-evergreen, slow to moderate grower</li> <li>Yellow fragrant flowers in summer</li> <li>Very low water use</li> <li>Fall color: N/A</li> <li>Tolerates full or part sun; cold tolerant to 25° F</li> <li>USDA zones 9-10</li> </ul>	
Mexican Sycamore (Platanus mexicana)	<ul> <li>Extra Large tree (Avg. 50' h x 35' w)</li> <li>Avg. 722 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Deciduous, fast growing</li> <li>Inconspicuous flowers</li> <li>Moderate water usage</li> <li>Fall color: Yellow/Orange leaves</li> <li>Tolerates full sun or part shade; cold tolerant to 0° F</li> <li>USDA zone 7</li> </ul>	
Holly Oak (Quercus ilex)	<ul> <li>Large tree (Avg. 30 'h x 20')</li> <li>Avg. 236 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Evergreen, moderate growth rate</li> <li>Small flowers in spring</li> <li>Moderate water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Tolerates full sun or part shade; cold tolerant to 10° F</li> <li>USDA zone 7-10</li> </ul>	
Desert Museum Palo Verde <i>(Parkinsonia X</i> 'Desert Museum')	<ul> <li>Medium tree (Avg. 25'h x 25'w)</li> <li>Avg. 268 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Semi-Evergreen, moderate growing</li> <li>Yellow flowers in spring and summer</li> <li>Low water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Cold tolerant to 15° F</li> <li>USDA zones 9-10</li> </ul>	

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Silver Dollar Eucalyptus (Eucalyptus polyanthemos)	<ul> <li>Large tree (Avg. 40' h x 30' w)</li> <li>Avg. 530 sq feet of shade coverage</li> <li>Evergreen, fast growth rate</li> <li>No flowers</li> <li>Low to moderate water usage</li> <li>Fall Color: N/A</li> <li>Full sun to part shade; cold tolerant to 25° F</li> <li>USDA zones 8-10</li> </ul>	
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