

The Right Tree Trail: Species selection information

All the below species are available through TreeSearch Farms in Houston, and are hardy to our area. These species will grow to an appropriate height which will not conflict with the safety of overhead utilities.

Cercis canadensis ‘Texensis’ Texas Redbud

Native, 15' x 12', heart-shaped semi-glossy foliage, magnificent display of rosy-pink flowers in spring, sun/part shade, requires good drainage, deciduous

Clethera pringlei Clethera

Evergreen, 20', upright growth, dark green glossy foliage, racemes of fragrant creamy white flowers in summer with the aroma of cinnamon, full sun/light shade

Sinojackia rehderiana Sinojackia

20', fast growing, sculptured trunk, semi-glossy foliage, clusters of white star-shaped flowers in spring, sun/part shade, deciduous

Vitex agnus-castus ‘Montrose Purple’ Montrose Purple Vitex

18' multi-trunk, new vitex with slightly larger foliage & magnificent clusters of 8"-12" bloom spikes 3 times larger than the standard vitex with richer, dark blue flowers, blooms at least 3 times spring to fall, sun, drought tolerant, butterflies

Ilex vomitoria ‘Pumphouse Red’ Pumphouse Red Yaupon

Evergreen, 18'-18', large shrub/small tree, bluish-green foliage, produces hundreds of red berries, full sun/part shade, tolerant of soil, water, & lighting

Viburnum rufidulum Lord Byron Viburnum

15', slow growing, small tree, glossy dark, evergreen foliage, blooms white 4"-6" clusters in spring, foliage turns red, mauve, purple, orange & yellow in fall, fruit ripens in fall, full sun/part shade, well drained

Myrica cerifera Southern Wax Myrtle

Native, evergreen, fast growing, 12'-18' shrub or multi-trunk tree, beautiful, slender, dark green foliage, sun/part shade, tolerant of drought & poor drainage

Prunus mexicana Mexican Plum

Native, 20', slow grower, spring blooming fragrant white flowers, produces a tasty small plum for eating, jellies, jams or sharing with birds, sun/part shade, good drainage, butterfly nectar & host plant

Cercis reneformis Oklahoma Redbud

20' Rosy, magenta flowers with heart shaped, waxy leaves, sun/partial shade, deciduous

Callistemon Hannah Ray Bottlebrush

15', evergreen foliage, full sun/partial shade, year-round bright red flowers, butterflies & hummingbirds, drought tolerant

Diospyros mexicana Mexican Persimmon

18' x 18', elegant, small, multi-trunk tree, sculptured trunk of gray-white exfoliating bark, produces small black fruit on female trees, full sun, well drained, loam, clay, caliche or limestone