

Trees of Yesteryear

A list of over 250 trees was reviewed in the process of developing the Centennial edition of Trees for Tomorrow. Trees from previous issues of the booklet were compiled, along with newer trees in landscaping use up to 2004. A group of arborists and horticulturalists reviewed this large list of trees and removed the following trees from consideration in the 2005 Centennial edition. This list is meant to serve as a historical archive of trees used in the Las Vegas community over the past 100 years.

Palms and fruit and nut trees were removed initially because they do not provide substantial shade (palms) or because they are specialty trees (fruit and nuts). The remaining trees were evaluated on the following criteria that make them poor performers in the urban landscape:

Not a proven shade tree; heat or cold intolerant; insect issues; soil issues; nutrient issues; wind intolerant; too high pollen counts; messy fruits, flowers, or seeds; invasive roots; excessive water consumption; high air pollution issues; and/or on government lists as invasive, noxious, or for public health issues. While many of these trees are attractive, they were not considered acceptable for the Centennial edition of Trees for Tomorrow.

A

Acacia baileyana	Bailey acacia
Acacia melanoxydon	blackwood acacia
Albizia julibrissin	silk tree, mimosa
Aracatum romanzoffianum	queen palm

B

Brahea armata	Mexican blue palm
Brachychiton acerifolium	Australian bottle tree
Butia capitata	pindo palm

C

Carya illinoensis	pecan
Casurina equisetifolia	horsetail beefwood
Casurina stricta	coast beefwood
Catalpa bignonioides	catalpa
Cedrus atlantica 'Glauca'	blue atlas cedar
Cedrus deodara	deodar cedar
Celtis occidentalis	common hackberry
Cercidium japonicum	catsura
Cercocarpus ledifolius	mountain mahogany
Ceratonia siliqua	carob

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Chamaerops humilis
Citrus aurantiifolia
Citrus limon
Citrus meyeri
Cotinus coggygria
Cupressocyparis leylandii
Cupressus arizonica
Cupressus glabra
Cupressus sempervirens
Cycas revoluta

Mediterranean fan palm
lime
lemon
Meyer lemon
smoke tree
Leland cypress
Arizona cypress
smooth Arizona cypress
Italian cypress
sago palm

D

Dalbergia sissoo

sissoo

E

Elaeagnus angustifolia
Eriobotrya deflexa
Eriobotrya japonica
Eucalyptus nicholii
Eucalyptus polyanthemos
Eucalyptus spathulata
Eucalyptus rudis
Eucalyptus sideroxydon

Russian-olive
bronze loquat
Japanese loquat
peppermint-willow
silver dollar gum
narrow-leaved Gimlet
swamp gum
red or pink ironbark

F

Ficus carica
Fraxinus uhdei

edible fig
Shamel ash

G

Geijera parviflora
Ginkgo biloba

Australian-willow
maidenhair, ginko

J

Jacaranda mimosifolia
Juniperus chinensis

jacaranda
Hollywood juniper

K

Koelreuteria bipinnata

Chinese flame tree

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L

Lagerstroemia hybrids
Lagerstroemia indica
Ligustrum japonicum
Ligustrum lucidum
Lysoloma thornberi

crepe myrtle hybrids
crepe myrtle
Japanese privet
glossy privet
feather bush

M

Magnolia grandiflora
Malus spp.
Morus alba

southern magnolia
crabapple, apple
mulberry

O

Olea europaea
Olneya tesota

common olive
desert ironwood

P

Parkinsonia aculeata
Paulownia tomentosa
Phoenix canariensis
Phoenix dactylifera
Phoenix reclinata
Pinus aristata
Pinus canariensis
Pinus edulis
Pinus monophylla
Pinus mugo
Pinus ponderosa
Pinus roxburghii
Pinus thunbergiana
Pistachia atlantica
Pistacia vera
Pittosporum phillyraeoides
Platanus racemosa
Platanus wrightii
Platanus X acerifolia
Podocarpus gracilior
Populus alba

Texas palo verde
empress tree
Canary Island date palm
date palm
Senegal date palm
bristlecone pine
Canary Island pine
piñon pine
singleleaf piñon
mugo pine
ponderosa, yellow pine
chir pine
Japanese black pine
Atlas Mountain pistache
pistachio
willow pittosporum
California sycamore
Arizona sycamore
London plane tree
fern-pine
white poplar

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Populus fremontii
Populus nigra 'Italica'
Prunus amygdalus
Prunus caroliniana
Prunus cerasifera hybrids
Prunus dulcis
Prunus persica
Prunus X blireiana
Punica granatum
Pyrus kawakamii
Pyrus calleryana cultivars
Pyrus communis

Fremont poplar
Lombardy poplar
almond
Carolina cherry
purple leaf plum
apricot
peach
blirelana purple plum
pomegranate
evergreen pear
pear (hybrids)
pear

Q

Quercus emoryi
Quercus gambelii
Quercus macrocarpa

Emory oak
Gambel oak
mossy cup bur oak

R

Rhaphiolepis indica

Indian hawthorne

S

Salix babylonica
Salix gooddingii
Salix matsudana 'Navajo'
Sapium sebiferum
Schinus molle

weeping willow
Goodding willow
Navajo globe willow
Chinese tallow tree
California pepper tree

T

Tamarix spp.
Thuja occidentalis
Thuja orientalis
Trachycarpus fortunei

salt-cedar, tamarisk
arborvitae
Oriental arborvitae
windmill palm

U

Ulmus pumila

Siberian elm

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W

Washingtonia filifera
Washingtonia robusta

California fan palm
Mexican fan palm

Y

Yucca brevifolia

Joshua tree