



# City of Burlingame Community Development Department Tree List for Private Property Planting Sites 558-7250



The Residential Design Review Guidelines discuss landscaping and site design under Component Number 9. Landscaping is an integral part of a residential remodel, addition or new construction project. Landscaping should be incorporated into the site design and should complement the architecture of a residence. It can also be useful in reducing the apparent mass of a building by joining it to the ground and engaging important architectural elements. Landscaping can create a sense of privacy, as well as screen additions and taller elements of structures.

Landscaping is one of the required criteria to be met as part of the Residential Design Guidelines, therefore the Planning Commission requests that appropriate landscaping be installed as part of a design review project on private property. Listed below are several trees that are known to have successful growth in Burlingame. These trees would be appropriate choices for private tree plantings in Burlingame. Please note that this list is a reference and does not restrict the planting of other like trees. If you have any questions about planting trees in the City's planter strip, please contact the Parks Division at (650) 558-7334 for the street tree planting requirements in the City's right-of-way in front of your property.

The trees that are suggested are grouped according to their height as shown in the image below. Small and Medium size trees are recommended for tree plantings on hillside areas where future view obstructions could occur.



(Figure1- Trees for San Francisco, A guide to Street-Tree Planting and Care, 1995 Friends of the Urban Forest ,1995, page 15)

### Small Size Trees

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	MATURITY HEIGHT	SHAPE	SITE LOCATIONS	DESCRIPTION
Acer buergeranum	Trident Maple	20-25'	R	Washington Park Rose Garden	Deciduous: moderate growth, roundish crown, glossy, three lobed leaves, fall color.
Koelreuteria paniculata	Golden Rain Tree	20-35'	I	1528 Howard Avenue	Deciduous: slow to moderate growth; yellow flowers, leaves reddish in spring, dull-green in summer.
Lagerstromia Indica	Crape Myrtle	15-20'	I	Pershing Park 1325 Drake Avenue	Deciduous: moderate growth; Spring foliage light green tinged bronze red; red flowers July-September, yellow Fall color.
Prunus yedoensis	Flowering Cherry 'Yoshino'	20'	R	1236 Balboa Avenue 2205 Hillside Drive	Deciduous: fast growth; curving, graceful, open branching pattern; light pink to nearly white fragrant flowers in early Spring.
Pyrus calleryana	Flowering Pear 'Aristocrat'	25'-35'	U	617 Howard Avenue 2112 Adeline Drive	Deciduous: fast growth; upright form; masses of white flowers in spring, red leaves in fall.

### Medium Size Trees

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	MATURITY HEIGHT	SHAPE	SITE LOCATIONS	DESCRIPTION
Aesculus carnea	Red Horsechestnut	30'	R	2212 Adeline Drive	Deciduous: fast early growth; round headed; dark green leaves; plumes of crimson flowers in Spring.'
Craetaegus phaenopyrum	Washington Thorn	20-25'	I	733 Lexington Way	Deciduous: moderate growth; red berries in Winter, good Fall color; thorns.
Eucalyptus ficifolia	Red Flowering Gum	20-40'	O	1150 Oxford Road	Evergreen: moderate to fast growth; spectacular pink to red flowers in Summer; round headed form.
Eucalyptus nicolii	Willow-Leafed Peppermint	30-40'	W	18 Bloomfield Road	Evergreen: fast growth; graceful, weeping form; fine textured, light green leaves; slight odor of peppermint.
Fraxinus oxycarpa	Raywood Ash	25-35'	O	2600 Easton Drive	Deciduous: fast growth; compact, round headed; dark green leaves turn claret red in Fall.
Geijera parviflora	Australian Willow	25-30'	R/W	Wells Fargo Bank (Broadway) 117 Bayswater Avenue	Evergreen: moderate growth; graceful branches; fine textured leaves; pest free.
Ginkgo biloba	Maidenhair tree	30-50'	O/S	700 & 800 Block Bayswater Avenue	Deciduous: slow growth; fan shaped leaves turn yellow in Fall; spreading, almost umbrella form.
Koelreuteria bipinnata	Chinese Flame Tree	20-35'	O	139 Channing Road 209 Victoria Road	Deciduous: slow to moderate growth; clusters of yellow flowers; leaves yellow in Fall, drop late.
Magnolia grandiflora	Magnolia 'Samuel Sommer'	20-40'	I	2109 Ray Drive	Evergreen: moderate to fast growth; white flowers; similar to Southern Magnolia, but smaller.
Pistacia chinensis	Chinese Pistache	30-40'	R	2705 Easton Drive 121 Costa Rica Avenue	Deciduous: moderate growth, dark green leaves; brilliant fall color.
Prunus cerasifera	Purple Leaf Plum	20-30'	R	1320 Lincoln Avenue Village Park (Eastmoor Side)	Deciduous: moderate growth; coppery leaves; light pink to white flowers.
Robinia ambigua	Idaho Locust	30-40'	O	1446 Capuchino Avenue	Deciduous: moderate to fast growth; Spring clusters of bright magenta flowers; long leaves divided into oval leaflets.
Sapium sebiferum	Chinese Tallow Tree	35'	R/O	2009 Deveraux Drive	Deciduous: moderate to fast growth; dense, round crowns; outstanding Fall color.
Tristani conferta	Brisbane Box	30-60'	O	860 Walnut Avenue	Evergreen: moderate to fast growth; reddish-brown bark; green, oval leathery leaves; resembles some Eucalyptus.

**Large Size Trees**

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	MATURITY HEIGHT	SHAPE	SITE LOCATIONS	DESCRIPTION
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	40-50'	R	1450 Capuchino Avenue	Deciduous: fast growth; lobed, green leaves; brilliant fall color.
Celtis australis	European Hackberry	40-50'	I	1108 Cambridge Road	Deciduous: fast growth; gray-green, elm-like leaves; broad, upright form.
Celtis sinensis	Chinese Hackberry	30-50'	I	City Hall, each side entrance to parking lot	Deciduous: fast growth; glossy, dark green, elm-like leaves; broad, upright form.
Quercus coccinea	Scarlet Oak	40-70'	R/O	1422 Capuchino Avenue 2022 Ray Drive	Deciduous: moderate to fast growth; high, open branches large, bright green leaves turn scarlet in cold Fall.
Quercus rubra	Red Oak	40-70'	R/O	326 Clarendon Road	Deciduous: fast growth; spreading branches with round crown.
Platanus acerifolia	London Plane (Sycamore)	40-70'	U	603 Plymouth Way	Deciduous: fast growth; large lobed, maple like leaves; sheds old bark; new bark smooth, cream colored.

**Tree Shapes Legend**

- R- Round
- O- Oval
- W-Weeping
- S - Spreading
- U- Upright
- I - Irregular



**ROUND**  
These trees offer symmetrical shape and a formal look.



**OVAL**  
These trees offer height without as much width as round or spreading trees. They complement tall, narrow houses, and are suitable for sites with narrow sidewalks.



**WEeping**  
The delicate leaves and drooping branches of these trees create a soft, natural, unsymmetrical feeling.



**SPREADING**  
These trees are wider than they are tall.



**UPRIGHT**  
These trees offer height with a minimum of width. They are well-suited to sites with narrow sidewalks or limited planting space.



**IRREGULAR**  
These trees have bold, unpredictable branching patterns. Their sculptural forms can make a nice contrast against a severe or geometric building.

(Figure 2- Trees for San Francisco, A guide to Street-Tree Planting and Care, 1995 Friends of the Urban Forest ,1995, page 15)