

Not Recommended for Planting



Choosing the right tree for the right location is important for tree health and the surrounding environment. These tree and palm species are not acceptable to plant in San José for a variety of reasons. They have been previously over-planted in San José, have a pest or disease concern, do not provide ecological benefits, or have other issues.

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<i>Acer</i> spp.	all maple species	pest concerns, not drought tolerant
<i>Betula</i> spp.	all birch species	short lived, not drought tolerant
<i>Fraxinus</i> spp.	all ash species	pest concerns
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	honey locust	pest concerns, short lived
<i>Lagerstroemia</i> spp.	all crape myrtle species	over-planted, small canopy
<i>Ligustrum</i> spp.	all privet species	invasive
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	sweetgum	poor structure, debris concern
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	tulip tree	pest concern
<i>Phoenix</i> spp.	all date palm species	not a tree, invasive
<i>Pinus</i> spp.	all pine species	structural concern
<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Chinese pistache	over-planted, limb failures are common
<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>	London plane	pest concern
<i>Platanus racemosa</i>	California sycamore	pest concern
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	purple leaf plum	short-lived, pest concerns
<i>Pyrus</i> spp.	all pear species	disease concern, short lived
<i>Salix</i> spp.	all willow species	pest concern
<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>	coast redwood	not drought tolerant
<i>Syagrus</i> spp.	all queen palm species	not a tree, invasive
<i>Washingtonia</i> spp.	all fan palm species	not a tree, invasive

Existing trees of these species are not necessarily unsuitable and removal applications are considered on a tree by tree basis.