

# Small Trees for Small Spaces



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# Mature Live Oak (*Quercus virginiana*)







# Crape Myrtle

(*Lagerstroemia spp.*)



- Blooms most of summer
  - White, pinks, lavender, red
- Many with peeling bark
- Deciduous – lovely fall color
- Full sun – acid or alkaline soil
- High drought tolerance, moderate salt tolerance





# Crape Myrtle

- Several size varieties
  - Large & spreading (15 – 20+ ft. tall)
  - Tall, broad or upright vase shaped (20 – 30 ft. tall)
  - Low globose (8 – 15 ft. tall)
  - Smaller dwarf varieties not appropriate to replace trees.



# Crape Myrtle



Natchez -  
Broad tall, 20 – 30 ft.



Pecos  
Low globose, 8-10 ft.



Catawba  
Upright 12 – 15 ft.



# Little Gem Southern Magnolia

(*Magnolia grandiflora* ‘Little Gem’)

- Slow growing and evergreen
- Large, showy, fragrant, white blooms
- Acid to slightly alkaline soils
- Tolerates flooding
- Moderate drought and salt tolerance
- Mature height 15 – 30 feet, barely 8 – 10 feet wide



# Little Gem Magnolia





# Glossy Privet

## *(Ligustrum lucidum)*

- Evergreen – glossy leaves
- Fragrant white flowers in spring
- Grows in full sun to part shade
- Moderate drought and salt tolerance
- Mature height of 15 - 20 ft.
- Multiple trunks or trained to one trunk



# Glossy Privet





# Sweet Acacia

## *(Acacia farnesiana)*

- **Mature Height:** 20 to 40 ft
- **Mature Spread:** 20 to 30 ft
- **Drought Tolerance:** High
- **Salt Tolerance:** Moderate
- **Light Requirements:** Full sun
- **Soil Drainage:** Tolerates well-drained sites to occasionally wet sites
- **Native to Florida**



# Sweet Acacia







# Texas Wild Olive (*Cordia boissieri*)

- Native evergreen
- Showy white flowers almost all year
- Slow growing to a mature height of 20 ft, 10 – 15 ft. wide
- Well drained acid to alkaline soil
- High drought tolerance, poor salt tolerance

# Texas Wild Olive





# Yaupon Holly

## *(Ilex vomitoria)*

- **Mature Height:** 15 to 30 ft
- **Mature Spread:** 15 - 20 ft
- **Growth Rate:** Moderate
- **Drought Tolerance:** High
- **Salt Tolerance:** High
- **Light Requirements:** Full sun to partial sun.
- **Native to North America.**
- **Soil Drainage:** Tolerates well-drained sites to sites with extended flooding



# Yaupon Holly





# Trumpet Trees

## (*Tabebuia spp.*)

- Semi – evergreen to deciduous
- Compound leaves
- Umbrella shaped or globose crown
- Full sun to part shade in well-drained soils
- High drought tolerance, moderate salt tolerance
- Tubular yellow or pink flowers in early spring



# Trumpet Trees







# Pigeon plum

## *Coccoloba diversifolia*

- Native evergreen with large oval leaves
- Medium growth 15 to 25 ft tall, 20 – 30 ft. spread
- Showy white flowers in summer.
- Fruit attracts wildlife, can be litter problem
- Full sun to part shade
- Well drained acid to alkaline soil
- Drought and salt tolerant
- Can be damaged by frost

# Pigeon plum







# Fringe Tree

## *(Chionanthus virginicus)*

- Native, deciduous
- Showy white flowers with strap-like petals in spring, famous for sweet fragrance
- Slow growing to a mature height of 20 ft, 10 – 15 ft. wide
- Full sun to part shade – does well under tall open trees
- Well drained acid to alkaline soil
- High drought tolerance, poor salt tolerance

# Fringe Tree







# Pigmy Date Palm

## *(Phoenix roebellini)*

- Smallest of the date palms
- Mature height of 10 ft.
- Slender trunks with peg-like leaf bases
- Fronds have spines on petiole
- Usually grown in groups of two or three
- Well drained acid to slightly alkaline soil
- Moderate drought tolerance and poor salt tolerance

# Pigmy Date Palm







# Pindo Palm or Jelly Palm

## *(Butia capitata)*

- Light green to bluish-gray fronds
  - recurved feather shape
  - Five to ten feet long
  - Spines on edges
- Mature height 12 – 15 ft.
- Fruit edible
- Well drained acid to slightly alkaline soil
- Highly drought and salt tolerant
- Cold hardy for our area

# Pindo Palm







# Questions?