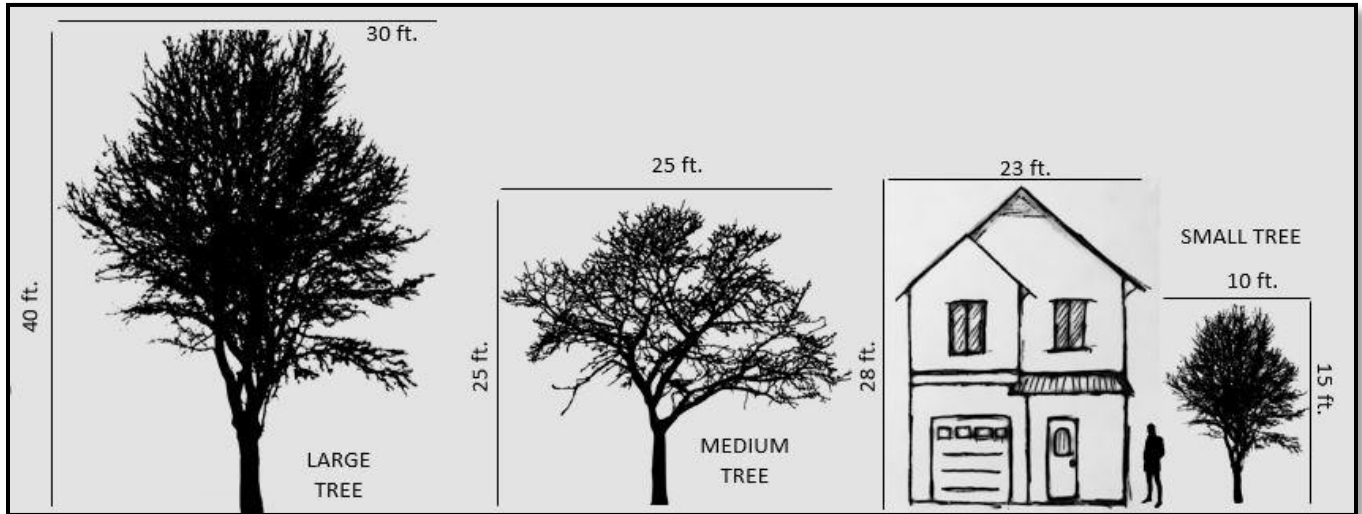


Trees for Narrow Spaces and Sites Near Powerlines

Do you have a small yard or space that needs the perfect little tree? Or perhaps an inconveniently located powerline is cramping your garden's style? Or maybe you are looking for a striking vertical accent specimen that is very tall but especially narrow? Whatever your landscape challenges, there are some lovely compact trees that will work for such sites. First, let's get a sense of what constitutes a small tree:



Trees that work **under powerlines typically need to stay under 15 feet in height**, while trees that create a vertical accent feature are typically narrower than 15 feet. Below are some trees (and a few large shrubs) we recommend for different types of compact spaces or accent effects. Some can be pruned to enhance narrowness or compact growth form. **Unless otherwise noted, these trees tolerate winter winds and can grow in full sun or part shade.**

Trees and large shrubs that are narrow but tall

- Columnar beech cultivars (deciduous)
- Columnar aspen cultivars (deciduous)
- Columnar hornbeam cultivars (deciduous)
- Columnar ginkgo cultivars (deciduous)
- Columnar ironwood (*Parrotia*) cultivars (deciduous)
- Daybreak magnolia (protect from winter wind to maximize blooms; deciduous)
- Some columnar and weeping spruce cultivars (full sun; evergreen)
- Weeping Alaskan "cedar" cultivars (protect from winter wind; evergreen)
- Golden hinoki cypress (protect from wind; evergreen)

Trees and large shrubs that stay relatively short

- Some magnolia cultivars (protect from winter wind to maximize blooms; deciduous)
- Witch-hazel cultivars (Diane, Pallida, Arnold's Promise; deciduous)
- Some weeping beech cultivars (deciduous, may require pruning to shape)



- Many dogwood tree cultivars (deciduous)
- Some redbud cultivars (deciduous)
- Some ornamental (flowering) cherry cultivars (deciduous)
- Some ginkgo cultivars (deciduous)
- Weeping pussy willow (protect from winter winds; full sun; deciduous)
- Some Japanese snowbell cultivars (protect from wind; afternoon shade; deciduous)
- Laceleaf Japanese maple cultivars (protect from winter winds; deciduous)
- Contorted filbert cultivars (deciduous)
- Lilac cultivars (deciduous)
- Tree-form Rose of Sharon (woody, hardy *Hibiscus*) cultivars (deciduous)
- Tree-form Pee Gee hydrangea (protect from wind; deciduous)
- Staghorn sumac cultivars (deciduous)
- Hicks yew (protect from winter winds; evergreen)
- Some weeping spruce cultivars (full sun; evergreen)
- Emerald Green arborvitae (protect from winter winds; evergreen)
- Some blue Atlas cedar cultivars (protect from winter winds; full sun; evergreen)
- Compact hinoki cypress (protect from winter winds; evergreen)
- Boxwoods and Japanese hollies/inkberries (part shade; protect from winter winds; evergreen)