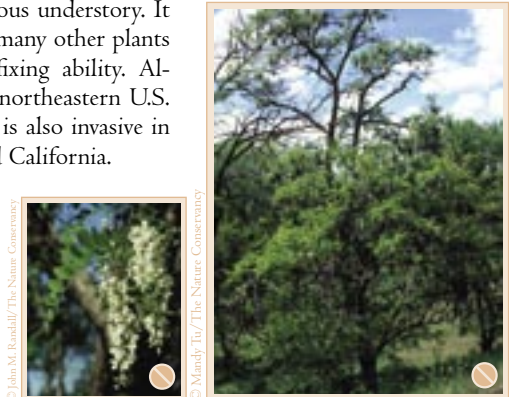


INVASIVE TREES & SHRUBS

*Black Locust*

*Robinia pseudoacacia*

NATIVE TO THE SOUTHERN U.S., black locust has been planted extensively for its attractive and fragrant flowers, hard wood, and nitrogen-fixing ability. This tall, fast-growing, and thorny member of the legume family can quickly form dense stands in prairies and along forest edges, displacing native vegetation, and reducing the herbaceous understory. It is good at outcompeting many other plants because of its nitrogen-fixing ability. Already problematic in the northeastern U.S. and in Texas, black locust is also invasive in the Pacific Northwest and California.



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RECOMMENDED TREES & SHRUBS

*Oregon Ash*

*Fraxinus latifolia*

NATIVE TO THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST, this tree grows well in moist soils.

- Light green, compound leaves provide a texture similar to black locust
- Oregon ash leaflets are larger than those of black locust
- Similar in height to locust, Oregon ash can grow up to 80 feet
- The round, full crown shape of mature trees is similar to that of black locust



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RECOMMENDED TREES & SHRUBS

*Kentucky Coffee Tree*

*Gymnocladus dioica*

A DROUGHT AND AIR pollution tolerant tree for moist, well-drained sites.

- Small leaflets on compound leaves provide a light and airy texture
- Seed pods similar to those of black locust can be avoided by planting male trees
- With heights of up to 75 feet, Kentucky coffee tree provides a similar shade canopy effect
- Though moderately fast growing, Kentucky coffee tree does not seed aggressively like black locust



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*Golden Rain Tree*

*Koelreuteria paniculata*

THIS MEDIUM-SIZED ornamental tree tolerates a wide range of soil conditions in sunny to partly shady sites.

- Showy yellow flowers grace what is one of the few mid-summer blooming trees
- Compound foliage offers a similar texture to black locust
- Ornamental fruit pods last through winter
- Like black locust, golden rain tree grows quickly



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ADDITIONAL TREE & SHRUB RECOMMENDATIONS

*Katsura japonica, Liriodendron tulipifera, Sophora japonica*