



15.4 Everglades



Carolina Cherry Laurel

(Prunus caroliniana)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun
WATER: Average
HEIGHT: 20 - 30 ft
SPREAD: 15 - 25 ft

This versatile evergreen tree has glossy leaves that emit an almond scent when bruised. Fragrant white flowers in early spring attract pollinators, followed by small red cherries ripening to black, providing a valuable food source for birds.



Goodding's Willow

(Salix gooddingii)



LIGHT: Full Sun
WATER: Average, High
HEIGHT: 15 - 40 ft
SPREAD: 25 ft

This versatile shrub or small tree has lance-shaped leaves and narrow catkins. It excels in erosion control, making it an invaluable choice for landscapes near water bodies or flood-prone regions.



N. Highbush Blueberry

(Vaccinium corymbosum)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun
WATER: Average, High
HEIGHT: 6 - 12 ft
SPREAD: 8 - 12 ft

This species has small oval blue-green leaves that turn red, yellow, orange, and purple in the fall. Its urn shaped white flowers from the late spring to early summer give way to blueberries as the season progresses.



Red Maple

(Acer rubrum)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun
WATER: Average
HEIGHT: 40 - 70 ft
SPREAD: 30 - 50 ft

This fast growing tree has tiny red flowers in early spring followed by red fruit. The dark green leaves in the spring turn to yellow or red in the fall.



Saltbush

(Baccharis halimifolia)



LIGHT: Full Sun
WATER: Average, High
HEIGHT: 3 - 10 ft
SPREAD: 3 - 10 ft

This short lived shrub has oval, sharp-toothed, gray-green leaves that are 2 inches long. This species also has white flowers from late summer to fall and is typically pest and disease free.



Sand Laurel Oak

(Quercus hemisphaerica)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun
WATER: Low
HEIGHT: 40 - 60 ft
SPREAD: 30 - 40 ft

This resilient and fast-growing tree is known for thriving in sandy or well-drained soils and has leathery leaves. While relatively short-lived, it remains valuable as a food source for birds, mammals, and insects.



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Slash Pine

(Pinus elliottii)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun

WATER: Average

HEIGHT: 70 - 100 ft

SPREAD: 30 - 50 ft

This long-lived tree has green needles from 6-12 inches and brown cones 2-6 inches long on mature specimens that are an important food source for birds and small mammals.



Southern Live Oak

(Quercus virginiana)



LIGHT: Full Sun

WATER: Low, Average

HEIGHT: 40 - 80 ft

SPREAD: 60 - 100 ft

This evergreen oak has a sprawling canopy with horizontally spreading branches covered in dense, dark green leaves. They are resilient and long lived, tolerating salt spray, drought, and strong winds.



Southern Wax Myrtle

(Myrica cerifera)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun

WATER: Average, High

HEIGHT: 10 - 15 ft

SPREAD: 8 - 10 ft

This evergreen plant has fragrant, leathery leaves and small, grayish berries. Its dense foliage provides privacy screening and windbreaks, and it can also be pruned into a hedge.



Wild Coffee

(Psychotria nervosa)



LIGHT: Partial Sun, Shade

WATER: Low, Average

HEIGHT: 2 - 10 ft

SPREAD: 3 - 5 ft

This versatile evergreen shrub has glossy, dark green leaves and small, fragrant white flowers. It is well suited to shade, and produces seeds similar in appearance to coffee beans.