

9.2 Temperate Prairies



American Plum

(*Prunus americana*)



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

This tree is a great choice for shrub borders, hedges, screens, or erosion control. It has toothed leaves, five petaled white flowers in spring, and produces edible red plums.



Black Cherry

(*Prunus serotina*)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun
WATER: Average
HEIGHT: 50 - 80 ft
SPREAD: 30 - 60 ft

This plant has glossy green leaves with pointed tips, has fragrant white flowers in the spring, and produces berries that can be used in jams and jellies. Is tolerant of dry soil.

* Not native to western half of ecoregion



Bur Oak

(*Quercus macrocarpa*)



LIGHT: Full Sun
WATER: Average
HEIGHT: 60 - 80 ft
SPREAD: 60 - 80 ft

This species has leathery dark green leaves with 5-9 lobes, 12 inches long that turn yellow to golden brown in the fall. It also has yellow-green catkins in the spring and brown oval acorns.



Chokecherry

(*Prunus virginiana*)



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

This plant is tolerant to drought, and dry, rocky, or clay soil. It is a great choice for beds, borders, hedges, screens, and open woodland gardens. It produces white flowers and edible berries.

* Not native to southern parts of ecoregion



Eastern Cottonwood

(*Populus deltoides*)



LIGHT: Full Sun
WATER: Average
HEIGHT: 50 - 80 ft
SPREAD: 35 - 60 ft

This tree has green leaves up to 5 inches long that turn yellow in the fall. Before the leaves emerge, small male and female flowers appear on separate trees in mid-spring.



Red Oak

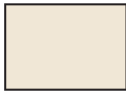
(*Quercus rubra*)



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

With its broad, lobed leaves that turn a brilliant red color in the fall, this tree creates a vibrant display of seasonal beauty. Highly attractive to a variety of species and boasting a remarkable lifespan of up to 500 years, this majestic tree not only provides ample shade but also exhibits remarkable adaptability to various soil conditions.

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Sugar Maple

(Acer saccharum)



LIGHT: Full Sun, Partial Sun

WATER: Average

HEIGHT: 40 - 80 ft

SPREAD: 30 - 60 ft

Used to produce maple syrup, this tree has green-yellow flowers in the spring. It grows 3-6 inch, five-lobed leaves that are green in the summer and turn yellow, orange, or red in the fall.

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