



Las Campanas Water Cooperative

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Trees to Avoid or Use with Caution in Las Campanas

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Tree	Reason
Ash (Fraxinus forms, including Autumn Purple)	Emerald Ash Borer is now in Colorado, will be in New Mexico soon. Very hard to detect and control.
Aspen (Populus tremuloides)	Will not grow well as climate becomes hotter; prone to serious diseases and pests when stressed.
Blue Atlas Cedar (Cedrus atlantica Glauca)	Can grow too large
Bur Oak (Quercus macrocarpa)	Can grow too large
Chinkapin Oak (Quercus muehlenbergii)	Can grow too large
Colorado Blue Spruce (Picea pungens Glauca)	The species form can grow too large and will need excess irrigation
Cottonwoods (Populus species)	Can grow too large and require excess irrigation
Elms—Accolade, Allee, Triumph	Can grow too large
Kentucky Coffee Tree (Gymnocladus dioicus)	Can grow too large
London Plane varieties (Platanus cultivars)	Can grow too large
Maples—Autumn Blaze, Red & Silver forms	Strongly prone to iron chlorosis in highly alkaline soils
Pinon Pine	Prone to attack by bark beetles and other serious pests when stressed
Ponderosa Pine (Pinus ponderosa)	Can grow too large
Purple Robe Locust (Robinia Purple Robe)	Highly susceptible to borers and wind breakage
Willows (Salix species, <u>not</u> desert willow)	Some can grow too large; all are very disease/pest prone.

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