

Trees Resistant to Heat and Drought

Red Maple “Brandywine, Autumn Radiance, Red Rocket”	Zone 3 or 4
Kentucky Coffee Tree “Espresso”	Zone 4
Bur Oak “Urban Pinnacle”	Zone 3
Chinkapin Oak	Zone 4
Swamp White Oak	Zone 4
Red Oak	Zone 4
Honey Locust “Northern Acclaim, Street Keeper, Shade Master”	Zone 3 or 4
Hackberry	Zone 3
Elm “Homestead, New Horizon, Prospector, Triumph”	Zone 4
American Linden “Redmond, Sentry”	Zone 3
Ginkgo “Autumn Gold, Magyar, Princeton Sentry”	Zone 3
River Birch “Northern Tribute”	Zone 3
Iron Wood	Zone 3
Japanese Lilac Tree	Zone 3
Eastern RedBud	Zone 4
Black Hills Spruce	Zone 3
Eastern Red Cedar	Zone 3

So many factors come into play when selecting the best trees to plant. Your local nursery or landscape company would be able to suggest tree varieties suited to your site and intended use.

With climate change a new reality, heat and drought tolerant trees should be considered for our landscaping needs. Tree diversification should also be given some thought. Maple Trees have been way overplanted followed by Ash Trees. We don't want to lose our Maple Tree population, or any other heavily planted tree species, like we lost our Ash Trees to the Emerald Ash Borer.