Good Trees to consider for Central/South Texas

Avoid oaks generally due to oak wilt and need for diversity. Avoid Pear due to structural issues, avoid Leyland and Italian Cypress due to disease problems. Using native trees helps the native fauna as they cannot adapt readily to invasive/exotic (very important for the biosphere health).

Canopy Trees

Montezuma Cypress

Cedar Elm

Mexican Sycamore

Bur Oak (best of the big white oaks)

Sierra Red Oak

Medium Size

Big Tooth or Shantung Maple

Texas Ash

Red Mulberry

Mexican Plum

Desert Willow

Ginko

Leucana (golden ball leadtree)

Redbud

Vitex

Laci Oak

Small/ornamental

Citrus (lime, lemon, orange)

Prunus (peach, apricot, plum)

Bauhinia (anacacho orchid)

Olive (Mexican olive not cold hardy)

Mexican Buckeye

Texas Pistache(very ornamental but hard to find)

Evergreen or nearly

Italian Stone Pine (not cold hardy)

Japanese Black Pine

Arizona Cypress

Mtn. Laurel

Cherry Laurel

Anaqua

Holly (Nellie Stephens, Yaupon, Possomhaw)

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