

GREAT TREE SEARCH

About Great Tree Search

Tree Davis asked residents to nominate Great Trees during fall 2018. There were four categories: Unusual Size, Species, Form, and History. Approximately 25 nominations were received. The Great Tree Search is helping residents better understand and appreciate the educational, environmental, and cultural contributions of our trees.

How To Find the Trees

Nearly all Great Trees are located in front yards with QR code tree necklaces and can be easily viewed from the street and sidewalk. One tree is in a backyard and one tree's location is undisclosed at the property owners request.

How To Nominate More Great Trees

Method 1: Scan the QR code to the right, and fill out the form online.

Method 2: Download the form from (www.treedavis.org/programs/great-tree-search/), and mail it to Tree Davis (P.O. Box 72053, Davis, CA 95617).



About Tree Davis

Tree Davis is a community-based non-profit organization. We facilitate community tree planting, projects, provide technical advice, organize and mobilize volunteers, educate the public through programs and workshops, and serve as a catalyst in developing community tree planting partnerships. Donations from people like you allow us to continue to keep Davis green, cool, and beautiful.



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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Silver Maple
3051 Campbell Place 2. Dawn Redwood Tree
3045 Campbell Place 3. Kentucky Coffee Tree
2115 Regis Drive 4. Formosan Flame Tree
8th and L Street,
NW corner 5. Chinese Hackberry Tree
327 E 9th Street 6. Modesto Ash
710 Miller Drive 7. European Hornbeam
405 Antioch Drive 8. Scarlet Oak Tree
518 Antioch Drive 9. Strawberry Tree
1614 Orange Lane 10. Ginkgo Tree
913 Kent Drive | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Italian Stone Pine / Ave
1012 Plum Lane 12. Tipa Tree
2136 Saratoga Place 13. Wollemi Pine
2136 Dinosaur Place 14. Red Push Pistache
115 Grande Avenue 15. Coast Redwood
Davis Community
Church, 4th Street 16. Cork Oak
240 2nd Street 17. Olive Tree
North of Sproul Hall,
UCD 18. Torrey Pine
UCD Arboretum,
Redwood Grove 19. Valley Oak
South Putah Creek |
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1. Silver Maple

Acer saccharinum

This 40-year old silver maple is a grand shade tree. It is 85-ft tall with a 10.8-ft girth.



2. Dawn Redwood Tree

Metasequoia glyptostroboides

This Dawn Redwood was planted 40 years ago and today it is 80-feet tall (7.5 feet in girth). The species was thought to have gone extinct and it is one of the few conifers to drop their needles in winter, thereby providing more sunshine.



3. Kentucky Coffee Tree

Gymnocladus dioica

This 50-year old Kentucky coffee tree is the godfather of 200,000 Espresso™ Kentucky coffee trees planted worldwide. It was selected because it was tough, heat and drought tolerant, tolerant of clay soils, relatively fast-growing with a large, vase-shaped crown, and a male tree that didn't produce the large banana peel-like pods that litter the crown and ground below.



4. Formosan Flame Tree

Koelreuteria elegans subsp. formosana

This 30-year old Formosan flame tree is 65-ft tall and wide with a girth of nearly 11 feet. Its attractive yellow flowers appear in late summer and are



followed by lipstick pink capsules that adorn the crown.

5. Chinese Hackberry Tree

Celtis sinensis

The 56-year-old Chinese hackberry has a 7.4-ft girth and 65-ft crown spread. During summer it blankets the street and sidewalks with shade.



6. Modesto Ash

Fraxinus velutina 'Modesto'

This 56-year old Modesto ash is one of the largest that still remains in the neighborhood. It is 82-ft tall with an 11.5-ft girth.



7. European Hornbeam

Carpinus betulus

Dr. Phil Barker grafted a European hornbeam onto the parent to make this odd-shaped tree. He called it his "chinning tree," and it reminds one of JRR Tolkien's Ents.



8. Scarlet Oak Tree

Quercus coccinea

The massive scarlet oak on Antioch is nearly 100-ft tall and wide. During the dog days of summer it is a car magnet, as vehicles are drawn to its cooling shade.



9. Strawberry Tree

Arbutus unedo

This Strawberry tree was planted in 1980 and is now 40-ft tall and 30-ft wide. It is an elegant



ornamental with dark green glossy foliage, white bell-shaped flowers and round red berries that appear in fall when the tree is flowering.

10. Ginkgo Tree

Ginkgo biloba

This 46-year old ginkgo has grown from a misformed twig into a magnificent tree. Perhaps inspired by this tree's buttery yellow fall foliage, neighbors have planted other ginkgos along the street to replicate its splendor.



11. Italian Stone Pine

Pinus pinea

This 55-year old Italian stone pine towers to 100 feet. A young woman used to regularly meditate under this tree, which makes one wonder about the many memories children of Davis carry who grew up climbing its trunk and swinging from its branches.



12. Tipa Tree

Tipuana tipu

This Tipa tree is native to Brazil, but here it has grown rapidly to 90-ft tall and 70-ft wide (10.4 ft girth). It provides filtered shade and bright orange-yellow blossoms in early summer.



13. Wollemi Pine

Wollemia nobilis

The Wollemi pine was thought to have gone extinct 2 million years ago, but in 1994 a small



grove of about 100 trees was discovered in Australia's Blue Mountains. This 12-year old tree was planted as part of the National Geographic Society's effort to help protect the species and safeguard its continued survival.

14. Red Push Pistache

Pistacia x 'Red Push'

This Red Push pistache was planted 20-years ago as an experiment. It has proven to be drought tolerant, pest resistant, and leaves are fiery red when they appear in spring.



15. Coast Redwood

Sequoia sempervirens

This 110-ft tall Coast redwood has stood guard over Davis Community Church for nearly 100 years. But it is still just a juvenile, as the species are among the oldest things on Earth, living over 2000 years and reaching up to 380 feet in height.



16. Cork Oak

Quercus suber

This epic cork oak has quietly grown into a beacon that affirms life's magic. It has a 12.5-ft girth and the spongy bark evolved to protect it from fire.



17. Olive Tree

Olea europaea

The spiraling trunk and gnarled branches of this ancient olive tree reflect the vicissitudes



of over 150 years of life. It is 60-ft tall with a girth of 8.7 feet, and is one of several trees that remain from the Jerome C. and Mary Chiles Davis homestead.

18. Torrey Pine

Pinus torreyana

This 78-year old Torrey pine towers above the redwoods. In their native habitats, Torrey pines are gnarled from the wind, but this one grows straight and tall, illustrating the huge role that environment plays in an organism's development – a lesson for us all.



19. Valley oak

Quercus lobata

This iconic Valley oak in south Davis is estimated to be 380 years old and has a 20-ft girth. In 1860 a Pony Express route passed under it, and since then it has shaded hundreds of weddings and wine tastings for the old Putah Creek Vineyard.



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