

Fruit Tree List- Los Angeles County

Common Name	Botanical Name	Recommended varieties ^{1,2}	Sunset Climate Zone ²	Harvest Period ^{1,2}	Exposure ^{1,2}	Planting Area ^{1,2}	Water Use ²	Drought Tolerance ²	Disease and Pest Fact Sheet ³	Wildlife attractions ²	Special Considerations
Stone Fruit											
Apricot	<i>Prunus armeniaca</i>	Autumn Royal, Moorpark, Goldkist, Early Gold, Newcastle	2 - 3, 6 - 23	Summer	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Apricot Prunus armeniaca L/	Bees, birds, squirrels	n/a
Peach	<i>Prunus persica</i>	Autumn Flame, Elegant Lady, Sweet Dream, July Flame, Crimson Lady, Zee Lady	1 - 24	Summer	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Peach/	Bees, birds, squirrels	n/a
Nectarine	<i>Prunus persica</i>	August Fire, Zee Fire, September Bright, Diamond Bright, Arctic Pride, Honey Blaze	1 - 24	Summer	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Low	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Nectarine/	Bees, birds, squirrels	n/a
Plum	<i>Prunus salicina</i>	Santa Rosa, Kelsey	7 - 12, 14 - 23	Spring or summer	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	Somewhat	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Plum and Prune/	Bees, birds, squirrels	n/a
Pome Fruit											
Apple	<i>Malus domestica</i>	Anna, Beverly Hills, Dorset Golden, Fuji, or Gala	1 - 24	Fall	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	Somewhat	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Apple/	Bees, birds, squirrels	To produce fruit, apple trees need to be exposed to cold temperatures a certain number of days (chill hours) to produce fruit. Since most of LA County does not typically have cold winters, choose a "low-chill" variety (like those recommended here).
Pear	<i>Pyrus communis</i>	Bartlett, hood, Monterey, 20th Century	1 - 11, 14 - 18	Summer or fall	Sun	Yards, parkways >7'	Medium	Somewhat	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Pear/	Bees, birds	n/a
Loquat	<i>Eriobotrya deflexa</i>	Big Jim, Early Red, Gold Nugget, Mogi, Advance, Benlehr, and Champagne	8 - 24	Spring or summer	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	Yes, but low water supply reduces fruit quality	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Loquat/	Bees, birds	n/a
Quince	<i>Cydonia oblonga</i>	Champion, Orange, pineapple, Smyrna, Van Deman	1 - 24	Fall	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways 3'-5'	Medium	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits & Nuts/Quince/	Squirrels	The fruit can be highly astringent and typically must be cooked before consumption, although some cultivars can be eaten fresh.

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Citrus											

Lemon	<i>Citrus limon</i>	Eureka, Meyer, Lisbon	8 - 9, 12 - 24	Spring, summer, fall, or winter	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits_&_Nuts/Citrus/	Bees, squirrels	All varieties of citrus in Los Angeles County are currently under quarantine regulations to prevent the spread of Asian citrus psyllid (an insect), Huanglongbing (a plant disease), and Mediterranean fruit fly.
Orange	<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Washington, Valencia, Cara-Cara, Fisher, Fukumoto	8 - 9, 12 - 24	Spring, summer, fall, or winter	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >4'-7'	Low	No		Bees, squirrels	
Lime	<i>Citrus aurantiifolia</i>	Bearss, Mexican (coastal areas only), Limequat	21 - 23	Spring, summer, fall, or winter	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >3'-5'	Medium	No		Bees, squirrels	
Grapefruit	<i>Citrus × paradisi</i>	Oroblanco, Melogold, Marsh, Cocktail, Star Ruby	8 - 9, 12 - 24	Spring, summer, fall, or winter	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No		Bees, squirrels	
Mandarin	<i>Citrus reticulata</i>	Dobashi beni, Okitsu wase, Dancy, Seedless Kishu, Gold Nugget	8 - 9, 12 - 24	Spring, fall, or winter	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No	https://ipm.ucanr.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn74155.html	Birds, bees	Review the citrus fact sheet to learn more. Consider planting other fruit trees before planting citrus. Carefully inspect all citrus tree before planting. Do not move fruit or plant material outside of the County, and consume citrus where you live (invite neighbors over to eat the fruit, rather than bringing it to them!). Report any suspected cases of Asian citrus psyllid (an insect), Huanglongbing (a plant disease), and Mediterranean fruit fly to the California Department of Food and Agriculture Exotic Pest Hotline: 800.491.1899.
Kumquat	<i>Citrus japonica</i>	Meiwa, Nagami	8 - 9, 12 - 24	Fall	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways >3'-5'	Low	No		Bees	
Others											
Avocado	<i>Persea americana</i>	Duke, Fuerte, Gwen, Hass, Pinkerton, Stewart	9, 15, 19-24	Varies depending on the variety	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	No	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits_&_Nuts/Avocado/	Bees, mammals	Avocado leaves, bark, skin, and pits can be toxic to animals. Do not plant near animal enclosures.
Pomegranate	<i>Punica granatum</i>	Eversweet, Parfianka, and Wonderful	5 - 24	Fall	Sun	Containers, yards, parkways 3'-5'	Medium	Yes, but low water supply reduces fruit quality	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits_&_Nuts/Pomegranate/	Bees, birds, squirrels	n/a
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros kaki</i>	Hachiya, Fuyu	6 - 9, 14 - 16, 18 - 24	Fall	Sun-Part shade	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	Yes, but low water supply reduces fruit quality	https://homeorchard.ucanr.edu/Fruits_&_Nuts/Persimmon/	Mammals	n/a
Jujube	<i>Ziziphus jujuba</i>	Li and Lang	6 - 16, 18 - 24	Summer	Sun	Yards, parkways >4'-7'	Medium	Yes, once established	Jujube trees do not appear to have pest or disease issues	Birds, bees, butterflies	n/a

Sources

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