Shade: privacy screening for NO DEER areas

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Plant Name	Height & Wide	Evergreen or Deciduous	Description	Photo
Sweetbox *Sarcococca ruscifolia* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	3-4 feet tall 3-4 feet wide FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to 5 degrees	Compact shrub with glossy, oval-shaped leaves. Spring brings tiny white flowers that are very fragrant. Red berries follow flowers.	
Rhododendron *Rhododendron* **for part shade areas* ***Tolerates drought once established, but drought make it more susceptible to disease***	4-6 feet tall 3-5 feet wide FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to minus 20 degrees	Dense, bushy shrub with leathery green leaves. Large, showy flowers in spring can be red, pink, purple, yellow, or white.	
'Sunshine' Privet *Ligustrum sinsense 'Sunshine'* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	4-6 feet tall 4-6 feet wide FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to 10 degrees	Golden-yellow leaves year-round. Panicles of small, white flowers in summer.	

'Sundance' Mexican Orange *Choisya ternata 'Sundance'* **for part shade areas* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	4-8 feet tall 4-8 feet wide	Evergreen Hardy to 20 degrees	Rounded shrub with narrow chartreuse-yellow leaves. Fragrant, white flower clusters starting in late spring. *Regular Choisya ternata has green leaves (no yellow)*	
Holly Osmanthus *Osmanthus heterophyllus* **for sun or part shade areas* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	8-10 feet tall 6-8 feet wide	Evergreen Hardy to 15 degrees	Small, white, fragrant flowers in fall. Holly-like green leaves. Foliage is not always very dense, so you may through it somewhat.	
Camellia *Camellia sasanqua or Camellia japonica*	8-15 feet tall 6-10 feet wide FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to 10-15 degrees *Camellia sasanqua blooms fall into winter. Camellia japonica blooms winter into spring.*	Leathery green leaves year-round. Large, showy flowers may be red, pink, or white.	
Hicks Yew *Taxus media 'Hicksii'* **for part sun or part shade areas* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	10-12 feet tall 3-4 feet wide	Evergreen Hardy to 0 degrees	Grows slowly with a narrow, columnar habit. Foliage is dense, glossy green, and needle-like and grows on long, upright branches. Bright red berries in autumn add nice color and contrast.	

Boxleaf Azara *Azara microphylla* **for part sun or part shade areas* **Once established, handles short periods of drought**	12-18 feet tall 6-8 feet wide	Evergreen Hardy to 15 degrees *Foliage is not always very dense, so you may see through it somewhat.*	Tree with fountain-like, arching shape. Tiny, shiny, green leaves year-round. Tiny, yellow, vanilla-scented flowers in late winter.	
Green Giant Arborvitae *Thuja 'Green Giant'* **for part sun or part shade areas* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	30-40 feet tall 8-12 feet wide	Evergreen Hardy to 0 degrees	Dense, cedar-like tree with pyramidal shape. Green foliage has gold tinge in winter. Can be left natural or pruned for tighter growth.	

DROUGHT TOLERANT once established

→ this symbol indicates plants that can survive drought once established. It typically takes 1-2 years of regular water for a new plant to be established. In general, plants look better with regular water, but drought-tolerant plants can survive times when water is not available.

FIRE RESISTANT

→ this symbol indicates plants that are considered fire-wise, meaning that they are more resistant to wildfire due to their growth habits. Plants with this symbol were found online in lists of 'fire safe' plants.

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Oregon Grape *Mahonia aquifolium* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	3-6 feet tall 2-5 feet wide FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to minus 10 degrees	Glossy, leathery, holly-like green leaves turn reddish in the fall. Bright yellow flower clusters in spring. Blue-black berry in summer. Drought-tolerant once established, but looks best with moderate water.	
Coffeeberry *Rhamnus* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	4-6 feet tall 4-6 feet wide **there are many varieties, height and spread may vary* FIRE RESISTANT	Evergreen Hardy to 5 degrees	Leathery, dark green leaves. Insignificant yellow-green flowers attract pollinators. Showy berries start green and mature to red-black. Berries are loved by birds. Drought-tolerant once established.	
Toyon *Heteromeles arbutifolia* **for part sun or part shade areas* DROUGHT TOLERANT once established	6-8 feet tall 4-5 feet wide **can grow to 15+ feet tall with time*	Eveegreen Hardy to 10 degrees	Leathery, oval, toothed green leaves. White flowers in summer. Bright red berries in winter.	