

Shrubs Suitable for The Woodlands

For pictures and more detail about these plants, refer these helpful resources:

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center Plant Database at
www.wildflower.org/plants/

Missouri Botanical Garden Plant Finder at
www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/plantfinder/plantfindersearch.aspx

Native Plant Society of Texas, Houston Chapter Native Plant Info at
www.npsot.org/wp/houston/native-plant-info/



SHRUBS							
Common name	Scientific name	Mature size height x width	Sun	Wildlife value	Type	Bloom or Fall color	Native
American Beautyberry	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	6 x 6 ft	Part shade to shade	Birds and pollinators	Deciduous	Small white or purple flower in spring. Copious display of bright purple berries in fall.	Yes
Arrowwood Viburnum	<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	6-8 x 6-8 ft	Sun, part shade, shade	Mammals, birds (attracts Eastern Bluebird), and pollinators. Host plant to Spring Azure butterfly.	Deciduous	Late spring bloom of white flower clusters followed by dark blue berries. Red and yellow fall color.	Yes
Barbados Cherry	<i>Malpighia glabra</i> <i>Malpighia punicifolia</i>	6 x 6 ft	Part shade	Mammals, birds, pollinators. Host for brown-banded skipper, white-patched skipper, Florida duskywing, and cassius blue butterflies.	Evergreen if mild winter	Small pink flowers appear from April to October, followed by bright red berries.	Yes
Butterfly Bush	<i>Buddleia</i>	4-6 x 6-10 ft	Sun	Pollinators.	Deciduous	Spikes of blue, purple, or pink flowers bloom spring through fall.	No
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	6-12 x 3-6 ft	Sun	Birds and pollinators.	Deciduous	Distinctive white or pink spherical flowers summer through fall.	Yes
Flame Acanthus	<i>Anisacanthus quadrifidus</i>	3-5 x 3-5 ft	Sun	Hummingbirds and butterflies. Host for Texas crescent butterfly.	Deciduous	Blooms brilliant red summer through fall	Yes in west and central Texas; adaptable to our area

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Oakleaf Hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i>	6-12 x 3-6 ft	Part shade, shade		Deciduous	Showy white to greenish flowers in summer turn white then purplish to mid-winter. Dark red color in fall.	Yes
Rough Leaf Dogwood	<i>Cornus drummondii</i>	12-16 x 4-6	Part shade, shade	Birds and pollinators.	Deciduous	Broad clusters of cream flowers in late spring followed by white berries in fall. Purplish-red fall color.	Yes
Spicebush	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	6-12 x 3-6 ft	Sun, part shade, shade	Birds and butterflies, Host to spicebush swallowtail and eastern tiger swallowtail.	Deciduous	Dense clusters of tiny yellow flowers bloom early spring, followed by red berries. Gold fall color.	Yes
Strawberry Bush	<i>Euonymus americanus</i>	6-12 x 6-12 ft	Part shade to shade		Deciduous	Pale green flowers in spring followed by red fruit. Dark red fall color.	Yes
Turk's Cap	<i>Malvariscus arboreus v. Drummondii</i>	4-6 ft, spreading	Part shade to shade	Mammals, birds, hummingbirds, pollinators.	Deciduous	Red, pink, or white blooms spring through fall.	Yes
Virginia Sweetspire	<i>Itea virginica</i>	3-6 x 2-4	Part shade to shade	Birds and pollinators.	Deciduous to Semi-evergreen	Spires of white flowers in late spring. Red fall color.	Yes
Wax Myrtle	<i>Morella cerifera</i>	6-12 x 6-12	Sun to part shade	Birds and butterflies. Larval host to Red-banded hair-streak.	Evergreen		Yes

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