

Suggested Tree Related Readings

As Suggested by CTUFC Board Members, past and present, other tree experts and a few from
Citizen Foresters

General reading at the lay level for fun, motivation, and some learning too.

- a. The Tree by Colin Tudge
- b. The Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan
- c. Keepers of the Trees by Ann Linnea
- d. The Hidden Lives of Trees by Peter Wohlleben
- e. How Trees Die by Jeff Gillman
- f. Famous Trees of Texas by Gretcen Riley and Peter D. Smith
- g. Trees of Our Lake by Wes Culwell
- h. Desert Solitaire by Edward Abbey (not about trees, per se)
- i. A Sand County Almanac by Aldo Leopold (not about trees, per se)
- j. Hard Scrabble on a Patch of Land by John Graves (not about trees, per se)
- k. The Wild Trees: A Story of Passion and Daring by Richard Preston
- l. Seeds of Hope; Wisdom and Wonder from the World of Plants by Jane Goodall
- m. Young Men and Fire by Norman McLean & Timothy Egan
- n. A River Runs Through It by Norman McLean & Robert Redford
- o. Excelsior: Memoirs of a Forester by Lawrence C. Walker
- p. That Tree by Mark Hirsch
- q. The Cast Iron Forest by Richard V. Francaviglia

Children's Books (and good for us adults too)

- a. The Lorax by Dr. Seuss
- b. The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
- c. Who Will Plant a Tree by Jerry Pallotta

More Technical General and Background Reading

- a. Arborist Certification Study Guide ISA by Sharon J. Lilly
- b. Arboriculture: Integrated Management of Landscape Trees, Shrubs, and Vines by Richard W. Harris and Nelda P. Matheny, et. al 2007

Tree ID Resources

- a. Trees of Texas: An Easy Guide to Leaf Identification by Carmine Stahl & Ria McElvaney
- b. Texas Trees: A Friendly Guide by Paul W. Cox and Patty Leslie
- c. Native Texas Plants by Wasowski and Wasowski
- d. Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Trees (East and West)
- e. Field Guide to Native Oak Species of Eastern North America by John Stein/Denise Binion/Robert Acciavatti
- f. Trees of Texas by Stan Tekiela
- g. National Wildlife Federation Field Guide to Trees of North America by Bruce Kershner, Craig Tufts, et. al.
- h. Texas Trees by Howard Garrett
- i. Plants of the Metroplex by Howard Garrett and Alex Burton
- j. Woody-Plant Seed Manual by Forest Service and US Dept of Agriculture
- k. Flora of North Central Texas by Shinnery & Mahler
- l. Know It and Grow It by Carl Whitcomb, PhD

Technical How To

- a. The ABCs Field Guide To Young and Small Tree Pruning by Andrew G. Pleninger and Christopher J. Luley, Ph.D
- b. Reference Manual of Woody Plant Propagation: From Seed to Tissue Culture by Michael A. Dirr
- c. Manual of Woody Landscape Plants Their Identification, Ornamental Characteristics, Culture, Propagation and Uses by Michael A. Dirr
- d. The Tree Book by Michael A. Dirr Bonnie Dirr, et al.
- e. Up By Roots: Healthy Soils and Trees in the Built Environment by James Urban
- f. How to Grow Native Plants of Texas and the Southwest by Jill Nokes and Kathryn Miller Brown
- g. Modern Arboriculture: A Systems Approach to the Care of Trees and Their Associates by Alex Shigo
- h. 100 Tree Myths by Alex Shigo
- i. Tree Basics: What Every Person Needs to Know About Trees by Alex Shigo
- j. Plant Production in Containers by Carl Whitcomb

Diseases, Insects, Fungi, and other pests

- a. Diseases of Trees & Shrubs by Wayne Sinclair and Howard H. Lyon
- b. Insects that Feed on Trees & Shrubs by Warren T. Johnson & Howard H. Lyon
- c. Wood Decay Fungi Common to Urban Living Trees in the Northeast and Central United States by Christopher J. Luley
- d. Fungi on Trees: An Arborists' Field Guide by Guy Watson and Ted Green