

Deer & Rabbit Resistant Trees & Shrubs

A list of trees and shrubs that are less likely to be browsed by deer and rabbits



Deciduous Shrubs

* = xeric plants

Alleghany Viburnum (<i>Viburnum x rhytidophylloides</i>)	Korean Dwarf Lilac (<i>Syringa meyeri</i>)
Alpine Current (<i>Ribes alpinum</i>)	Korean Spice Viburnum (<i>Viburnum carlesii</i>)
Anthony Waterer Spirea (<i>Spirea japonica</i>)	Mentor Barberry (<i>Berberis x mentorensis</i>)
Apache Plume (<i>Fallugia paradoxa</i>)*	Miss Kim Lilac (<i>Syringa patula</i>)
Arnold Red Honeysuckle (<i>Lonicera tatarica</i>)*	Mohican Viburnum (<i>Viburnum lantana</i>)*
Blue Mist Spirea (<i>Caryopteris x clandonensis</i>)*	Nanking Cherry (<i>Prunus tomentosa</i>)
Boulder Raspberry (<i>Rubus deliciosus</i>)*	Persian Lilac (<i>Syringa x persica</i>)
Burning Bush (<i>Euonymus alatus</i>)	Pixwell Gooseberry (<i>Ribes hirtellum pixwell</i>)
Butterfly Bush (<i>Buddleia davidii</i>)	Potentilla (<i>Potentilla spp.</i>)
Cardinal Dogwood (<i>Cornus sericea 'Cardinal'</i>)	Purple Smoke Tree (<i>Cotinus coggygria</i>)
Cheyenne Privet (<i>Ligustrum vulgare 'Cheyenne'</i>)*	Rabbitbrush (<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>)*
Chinese Lilac (<i>Syringa x chinensis</i>)	Red Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'</i>)
Common Purple Lilac (<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>)*	Red Flowering Quince (<i>Chaenomeles japonica</i>)
Common White Lilac (<i>Syringa vulgaris alba</i>)*	Red Twig Dogwood (<i>Cornus sericea 'Baileyi'</i>)
Crimson Pygmy Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>)*	Rose-of-Sharon (<i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>)
Curl Leaf Mountain Mahogany (<i>Cercocarpus ledifolius</i>)*	Rosy Glow Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>)
Cutleaf Sumac (<i>Rhus glabra 'Laciniata'</i>)*	Russian Sage (<i>Perovskia artiplicifolia</i>)*
Dwarf Burning Bush (<i>Euonymus alatus 'Compacta'</i>)	Smooth Sumac (<i>Rhus glabra</i>)*
Fernbush (<i>Chamaebatiara millefolium</i>)*	Snowberry (<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>)
Fragrant Sumac (<i>Rhus aromatic</i>)*	St. Johnswort (<i>Hypericum kalmianum var.</i>)*
Gambel Oak (<i>Quercus gambelii</i>)*	Staghorn Sumac (<i>Rhus typhina</i>)*
Golden Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii 'Aurea'</i>)	Tall Western Sage (<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>)*
Golden Nugget Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii 'Monlers'</i>)	Three Leaf Sumac (<i>Rhus trilobata</i>)*
Green Barberry (<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>)*	VanHoutte Spirea (<i>Spiraea x vanhouttei</i>)*
Gro-Low Sumac (<i>Rhus aromatic</i>)*	Wayfaring Viburnum (<i>Viburnum lantana</i>)*
Hancock Coral Berry (<i>Symphoricarpos x chenault</i>)*	Yellow Flowering Current (<i>Ribes aureum</i>)*

Broadleaf & Specialty Evergreens

Boxwood (<i>Buxus spp</i>)*	Heavenly Bamboo (<i>Nandina domestica</i>)
Minstead Broom (<i>Cytisus x 'Minstead'</i>) *	Yucca (<i>Yucca spp.</i>)*
Spanish Gold Broom (<i>Cytisus purgan 'Spanish Gold'</i>)	Lilac Time Broom (<i>Cytisus x 'Lilac Time'</i>)*
Holly (<i>Ilex x meserveae</i>)	Allgold Warminster Broom (<i>Cytisus x praecox</i>)*

Moonlight Broom (*Cytisus scoparius* 'Moonlight')*
Oregon Grape Holly (*Mahonia aquifolium*)*

Pyracantha (*Pyracantha* spp.)

Spreading Junipers

Andorra Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Arcadia Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Armstrong Juniper (*Juniperus chinensis*) *
Bar Harbor Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Blue Chip Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Blue Star Juniper (*Juniperus squamata*) *
Broadmoor Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Buffalo Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Calgary Carpet Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Effusa Juniper (*Juniperus communis depressa*) *
Green Mound Juniper (*Juniperus procumbens*) *
Grey Owl Juniper (*Juniperus virginiana*) *

Hetz Blue Juniper (*Juniperus x media*) *
Holbert Juniper (*Juniperus chinensis*) *
Hughes Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Icee Blue Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Old Gold/Gold Coast Juniper (*Juniperus x media*) *
Prince of Wales Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *
Scandia Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Sea Green/Mint Julep Juniper (*Juniperus x media*) *
Sierra Spreader Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Table Top Blue Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *
Tammy Juniper (*Juniperus sabina*) *
Wiltoni/Blue Rug Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) *

Upright Junipers

Blue Point Juniper (*Juniperus chinensis*) *
Burk Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) *
Cologreen Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *
Gray Gleam Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *
Hetzi Upright Juniper (*Juniperus chinensis*) *
Moonglow Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *

One Seed Juniper (*Juniperus monosperma*) *
Pathfinder Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *
Rocky Mountain Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *
Skyrocket Juniper (*Juniperus virginiana*) *
Spartan/Spearmint Juniper (*Juniperus chinensis*) *
Wichita Blue Juniper (*Juniperus scopulorum*) *

Evergreen Trees

Concolor Fir (*Abies concolor*)
Colorado Spruce (*Picea pungens*) *

Pinyon Pine (*Pinus edulis*) *
Ponderosa Pine (*Pinus ponderosa*) *

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Common Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*) *
Imperial Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) *

Shademaster Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) *
Skyline Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) *

Note: If a deer or rabbit is hungry enough, they may browse plants that they usually avoid. As such, **no plant is truly deer or bunny-proof**. To secure your plants, you may want to try surrounding particularly vulnerable plants, especially newer plants, with fencing.