



# Redwood Barn Nursery

1607 Fifth Street Davis, California

## Plants for a tropical look in Sunset zones 8, 9, 14

Common name	Botanical name	Notes	Type
Banana	<i>Musa, Ensete</i>	<i>Musa basjoo</i> , <i>Musella lasiocarpa</i> are hardiest.	perennial
Bird of paradise (Strelitzia)	<i>Strelitzia</i>		perennial
Calla lily	<i>Zantedeschia</i>	Hardy to zone 5	perennial
Canna	<i>Canna</i>		perennial
Cast-iron plant	<i>Aspidistra</i>	Hardy to zone 4	perennial
Crinum lily	<i>Crinum</i>		perennial
Elephant ear	<i>Alocasia, Colocasia, Xanthosoma</i>		perennial
Ferns	<i>Dicksonia, Woodwardia, Polystichum, others</i>	Many hardy species.	perennial
Ginger	<i>Hedychium, Zingiber</i>	<i>Alpinia</i> is marginal; good houseplant	perennial
Gunnera	<i>Gunnera</i>	Hardy to zone 4	perennial
Kaffir lily	<i>Clivia miniata</i>	Marginal here, but usually planted where it is protected	perennial
Papyrus	<i>Cyperus</i>	( <i>C. alternifolius</i> is hardiest; there are dwarf forms)	perennial
Angel's trumpet	<i>Brugmansia</i>		shrub
Aralia	<i>Fatsia japonica</i>	Hardy to zone 4	shrub
Bamboo	<i>Bambusa, Phyllostachys</i>		shrub
Cashmere bouquet	<i>Clerodendrum bungei</i>	Also <i>C. myricoides</i> 'Ugandense'	shrub
Flowering maple	<i>Abutilon</i>		shrub
Gardenia	<i>Gardenia</i>	Hardy to zone 7	shrub
Hibiscus	<i>Hibiscus</i>	<i>H. moscheutos</i> and other deciduous species are hardy	shrub
Hibiscus, blue	<i>Alyogyne</i>		shrub
Honey bush	<i>Melianthus</i>		shrub
Hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea</i>	Hardy to zones 2b ( <i>H. quercifolia</i> ) - 3b ( <i>H. marcophylla</i> )	shrub
Jessamine, night-blooming	<i>Cestrum nocturnum</i>	Just barely hardy here	shrub
Philodendron, hardy	<i>Philodendron selloum</i> and the new hybrids: <i>Xanadu, Hope</i> )		shrub
Cordyline	<i>Cordyline australis</i>	Hardy to zone 5	tree
Empress tree	<i>Paulownia tomentosa</i>	Hardy to zone 4	tree
Citrus	<i>Citrus, Fortunella</i>	Kumquats and mandarins are hardiest	tree/shrub
Palms and cycads	<i>Chamaerops, Phoenix, Washingtonia; Cycas.</i>	Many species, some hardy	Tree/shrub
Bougainvillea	<i>Bougainvillea</i>	Needs protection	vine
Bower vine	<i>Pandorea jasminoides</i>		vine
Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera</i>	Many to zones 1 or 2; some are rampant. <i>L. hildebrandiana</i> is big but well-mannered, to zone 9.	Vine
Jasmine	<i>Jasminum</i>	<i>J. officinale, J. polyanthum</i> both to zone 5	vine
Jasmine, Chilean	<i>Mandevilla laxa</i>	Hardy to zone 4	vine
Jasmine, star	<i>Trachelospermum jasminoides</i>		vine
Passionflower and passion fruit	<i>Passiflora species; hardiness varies)</i>		vine
Trumpet vines	<i>Campsis, Distictis, others</i>	Hardiness varies: <i>Campsis</i> to zone 1 (rampant); others hardy here, some tender.	Vine

Some tropical and subtropical plants that people ask about, that marginal here:

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Coral tree	<i>Erythrina</i>	<i>E. crista-galli</i> can grow as a large perennial
Figs, ornamental	<i>Ficus benjamina</i> , <i>F. nitida</i>	to zone 13
Floss-silk tree	<i>Chorisia</i>	to zone 12
Frangipani	<i>Plumeria</i>	frost-tender
Gold medallion tree	<i>Cassia leptophylla</i>	to zone 15; other Cassias are even more tender
Hibiscus, Chinese	<i>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</i>	marginal here
Jasmine, Arabian (true, aka Pikake)	<i>Jasminum sambac</i>	to zone 13
Mandevilla	<i>Mandevilla</i>	to zone 21
Orchid tree	<i>Bauhinia</i>	most to about zone 18
Princess flower	<i>Tibouchina urvilleana</i>	to zone 16
Ti plant	<i>Cordyline fruticosa</i>	to zone 21