




PISTACIA LENTISCUS

Mastic

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Native to the Mediterranean

Why we love it...

Also known as Evergreen Pistache, this drought and heat tolerant plant features bright green, glossy leaves on smooth reddish branches. Mastic can be shaped into a small, rounded patio-sized tree or left unpruned to grow as a large, dense shrub. It is valued around the world for its aromatic resin that we use to make products such as chewing gum and medicine.

In the arid Southwest, however, Mastic is praised for being one of the cleanest landscape plants on the market. As such, it is a fantastic choice for patios and pool sides, where reflected heat poses no problems for the tree, and the tree's cleanliness causes no problems for the patio or pool!



Lydia says: This tough plant is resistant to most pests and diseases, and requires almost no maintenance to maintain!

Evergreen Tree or Shrub: *Pistacia lentiscus*

Size (H x W): 15-25 feet x 15-25 feet

Blooms: Inconspicuous flowers in spring

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 18° F, USDA Zone 8

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Winter to early spring

Growth Rate: Slow to moderate



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