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We consider a generalization of parking functions to parking distributions on trees and study the unordered version and a q-analogue. We give an efficient way to form generating functions to compute these values and establish the positivity and log-concavity of a related polynomial, which replies on the structure of the underlying trees. We also connect the unordered parking distributions on caterpillars (trees whose removal of leaves results in a path) to restricted lattice walks. (Received July 01, 2017)