Tree Guide
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# **Map of the Village Arboretum Deciduous trees** To be planted: Labelled Deciduous and Evergreen Trees ... 30, 42, 39, 48, 46 **Evergreen trees** Tree list and Tree information available at the public library, town hall, **Chamber of Commerce (located at Bluffton News, Main Donated / Memorial Trees** St.) John's Body Shop 30 **37** 36 24 25 50 9 38 9 Grass raised walking path 16a 39 16a 9 16a 28 20 10 County line Rd. 29 32 **Parking Lake Street** picnic

Trees researched and labelled by Girl Scout Troop # 20007
Leaders: Gail Clingerman
Sarah Bergstrand

#### **Scouts**



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var. Redmond

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- 47. .Hazel
- 48. .Shagbark Hickory .... to be planted
- 49. Cut leaf Sumac
- 50. Flowering Pear.... Invasive; to be removed

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### **Memorial Trees**

# 23. Ann Hilty

One of the founding members of the Bluffton Tree Commission this Pin Oak was dedicated to her on Arbor Day 2007.

# 47. Phil Kingsley

A true environmentalist..... A member of the Bluffton Tree Commission, dedicated naturalist. His farm (Hilty Kingsley Family Farm) installed solar panels, organic gardens, nursery of native and economically valuable trees / shrubs. Some of which (Hazel) were planted for him on Arbor Day 2016.

# **Donation Trees**

16, 16a. These trees (White Oak and Swamp White Oaks) were donated to the Village Arboretum.

### 1. NORTHERN RED OAK Quercus rubra

**Native to Ohio: YES** 

Uses: Used extensively for furniture, cooperage, general construction, interior finish, railroad ties and mine props acorns eaten by wildlife acorns eaten by native Americans

### **Description:**

alternately branching deciduous; leaves simple, multiple pointed lobes multiple terminal buds Fruit = acorn

# 1a. SHUMARD OAK (SWAMP RED OAK) Quercus shumardii

Native to Ohio: NO.... Atlantic coastal plain

Cultivated as far north as Ottawa, Canada

**Uses**: food for wildlife, tolerant to urban environments, best Red Oak for lumber cultivated as a shade tree; largest of the red oak group

# **Description:**

Typical Red Oak features however: young twigs are green, acorns are larger than usual

Can tolerate flooded conditions; naturally in lowland areas









# **2.** JUNIPER / EASTERN RED CEDAR Juniperus communis / J. virginiana

Native to Ohio: YES....

Uses: for fence posts; landscaping; oil from fruits used as perfume, flavoring; aromatic wood used as moth repellant fruits eaten by songbirds, grouse, pheasants, deer, rodents; used to flavor gin

# **Description:**

evergreen; short prickly needles loves limestone soils many growth variations /cultivars (tree, shrub, spreading) Fruit= green to blue berry-like fruit



# **3.** WHITE SPRUCE Picea glauca

Native to Ohio: NO... native to colder areas;

many cultivated varieties

**Uses:** Used for lumber; construction

used for papermaking

landscaping

State tree of South Dakota

### Description:

evergreen; needles typical of spruces single, triangular, green, short Fruit= Cone with many thin scales



# **4. NORWAY SPRUCE** Picea abies

Native to Ohio: NO.... Native to central Europe

**Uses:** paper mulch, construction, piano sound boards, source of pitch for turpentine, boat building

**Description:** 

evergreen; needles typical of spruces (single, triangular) short but pliable; green branches droop Cones = many thin scales; large



# **5.** BOXELDER (ASH LEAVED MAPLE) Acer negundo

Native to Ohio: YES .... and able to withstand the severe weather of the Great Plains

**Uses:** soft white wood is used for boxes; wildlife eat

the seeds; can be used for maple syrup

# Description:

opposite branching deciduous; it is the only native maple that has compound leaves; serrated single terminal bud

1<sup>st</sup> year branches are green Fruit = double winged samara



### **6. SUGAR MAPLE** Acer saccharum

**Native to Ohio: YES** 

**Uses:** Major source of maple syrup (Ohio ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in US), hard maple furniture, flooring many varieties have been developed

# **Description:**

Opposite branching deciduous; leaves are simple, multiple pointed lobed Single terminal bud Fruit = double winged samara



# 7. HORSECHESTNUT (White) Aesculus hippocastanum

Native to Ohio: NO..... Native to Greece

**Uses:** fruits are poisonous; used to kill fish (now illegal) ornamental tree plantings....can escape to woods

# **Description:**

Opposite branching deciduous; leaves (7) are palmately compound; serrated Large single terminal bud... sticky
Fruit = buckeye; seed coat is spiney



# **8. EASTERN WHITE PINE** Pinus strobus

Native to Ohio: NO.... Native to MI, eastern US

**Uses:** largest conifer in the NE USA many live to + 100 years

important timber tree for construction

### **Description:**

evergreen; needles in clusters
only 5 needled pine in NE USA
needles very flexible, thin, soft,
~ 3 inches long, green
branches obviously whorled around the trunk; used to
tell the age of the tree
Cones = long, with thick scales



# **9. CRAB APPLE (many varieties)** Malus spp.

Native to Ohio: some, but many cultivated varieties
Uses: fruit is used to make jellies, apple butter,
and pickles
important food for wildlife
landscape for spring flowering

### **Description:**

deciduous; leaves are simple, **NO THORNS**bark is brownish grey to reddish with flat scaly ridges
Fruit = a pome (apple) varying in color and size
Leaves = varieties have varying shapes and size
Branching is alternate



#### 10. EASTERN REDBUD

Cercis canadensis

Native to Ohio: YES, along forest edges,

but many cultivated varieties

**Uses**: landscaping

early spring flowering ornamental

dye from the red roots

bobwhite quail and some songbirds eat the seeds

### **Description:**

deciduous; leaves are simple, entire edges, heart shaped alternate branching,

often short twisted trunk; bark is dark color smooth, later scaly with ridges and sometimes apparent maroon patches flowers early in the spring, pink to reddish, along branches

Fruit = dry, thin skinned legume pod



#### 11. AMERICAN HACKBERRY

Celtis occidentalis

Native to Ohio: YES ... NE USA to Mississippi R. USES: landscaping for shade and ornamental; wildlife love the fruit and larva in galls; wood is similar to ash wood wood used for fuel and lumber

### **Description:**

deciduous; alternate branching leaves are simple, serrate, rough; often contain nipple galls; not symmetrical bark is grey and rough; with distinct raised corky ridges;

false terminal bud tree is dioecious

Fruit = small drupe; dark purple when mature





# **12. NORTHERN CATALPA** Catalpa speciosa

Native to Ohio: YES... southern Ohio and southward; central US

**USES:** planted for fence posts

source of Catawba worms used

as fish bait

### **Description:**

branching in whorls or alternant; deciduous; leaves elephant ear shaped (6 to 13"); simple, entire central terminal bud missing Fruit = slender seed pods(8 – 18") that turn brown



# **13. SWEET GUM** Liquidambar styraciflua

#### Native to Ohio.... YES

**Uses:** Gum is collected from the tree by making cuts in the bark to allow the gum to ooze out – gum is used in medicine and perfume

### **Description:**

alternate branching; branches sometimes develop warty ridges with age leaves are star shaped Fruit= seeds are contained within distinctive fruiting capsules



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# 15. TULIP TREE (Yellow poplar; Whitewood)

Liriodendron tulipifera

Native to Ohio: YES..... eastern North America

**Uses:** Timber is called "whitewood"

Used in home interiors;

Bark extract used as heart stimulant

Ornamental landscape tree in eastern US,

west and northern Europe

#### **Description:**

One of the tallest trees in the forest; may be

200 years old

Deciduous; alternate/whorled branching;

Leaves are notched at top; tulip-like

Buds are covered by only 2 scales

Flowers are yellow/orange tulip-like; 1.5" long;

Cup shaped flowers do not appear until tree

is 15-25 years old

Fruit = Dry cup shaped fruit is ~2" long; multiple; green to brown





# **16. WHITE OAK** Quercus alba

Native to Ohio: YES....eastern / central US

**Uses:** Used in construction; shipbuilding, tight

cooperage; furniture; wagons; tools; interior

finish; flooring; railroad poles; fuel

#### **Description:**

deciduous; leaves are simple, many rounded lobes

alternate branching; multiple terminal buds

flowers appear in May

Fruit= acorn

#### **16a. SWAMP WHITE OAK** Quercus bicolor

### Similar to White Oak, but has:

leaves with shallower lobes

acorn stems longer than leaf petioles

grows in bottomlands; wetter habitats than WHITE OAK

This grove of oak trees was kindly donated by the Chapell family.



# **17. OHIO BUCKEYE** Aesculus glabra

Native to Ohio: YES.... southern / central US

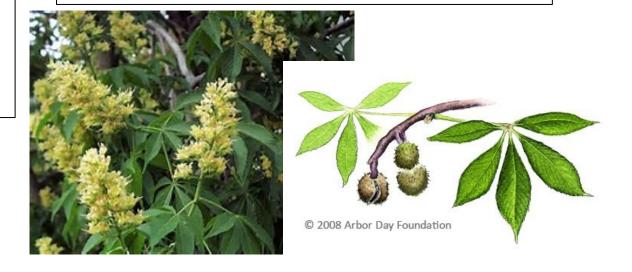
Uses: wood used for cheap furniture; artificial

limbs; woodenware; boxes; crates

poisonous seed used to kill fish (now illegal)

#### **Description:**

opposite branching; terminal bud large deciduous, palmately compound flowers appear in April or May; large white/ yellow spike fruit = a buckeye nut; has a leathery, prickly shell; seed is large, brown, smooth and **poisonous** 



### 18. GINKGO (Maidenhair tree) Ginkgo biloba v. Autumn Gold

Native to Ohio: NO...Ginkgo biloba is native to China

**Uses**: urban street tree

(very resistant to insects and

air pollution)

ginkgo leaves used in tea/medicine to help

improve memory

fruit is edible...

leaves have been found imprinted in rocks dating back to

the dinosaur days (Mesozoic)

#### **Description:**

deciduous, leaves are thick, fan shaped

thought to be a primitive link

between gymnosperms and angiosperms;

once thought extinct, but found in China; only species in the phylum Ginkgophyta dioecious;

fruit = fleshy fruit (drupe) on female trees has disagreeable smell

# 19. AMERICAN ELM (White Elm, Gray Elm, Water Elm, Swamp Elm)

Ulmus americana

several Ulmus varieties resistant to Dutch Elm disease)

Ulmus americana v. "Frontier"; Ulmus americana variety "Accolade"

Native to Ohio: YES...Ulmus americana is,

however, U. Americana varieties are not native

Uses: Ulmus americana only grows to sapling/pole size –then attacked

by beetle/fungus

Resistant varieties used for shade trees

Wildlife eat seeds

# **Description:**

alternate branching

deciduous, leaves simple, rough on top, double serrated, lopsided base

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isolated surviving *U. americana* trees can reach 60 to 80 ft.

fruit = oval samara with notched tip



# **20.** LACEBARK / CHINESE ELM

Ulmus parvifolia v "Frontier" Ulmus parvifolia v "Valley Forge"

Native to Ohio... NO..... Native to eastern Asia.....cultivated varieties being used to replace *U. americana* as shade trees

**Uses:** shade trees in urban areas

### **Description:**

deciduous leaves trunk bark flakes showing gray, tan and red colors Fruit is typical elm samara ( American Elm #19)



# 21. BLACK HILL SPRUCE (variety of White Spruce) Picea glauca densata

Native to Ohio: NO..... Found in Black Hills, S. Dakota.... northern into Canada

**Uses:** as an ornamental

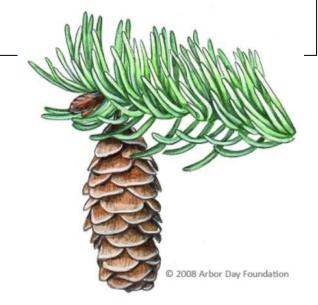
### **Description:**

Evergreen.... Life span of 150-350 years

Needles bluish, flexible, not sharp, point
forwards, short, typical spruce shaped
(4 sided...typical spruce..... Not flat or rounded)

Bark is ash grey in color; thin and flakey

Fruit = typical spruce scales except cone scales have rounded tips; 2" long



# **22.** AMERICAN BASSWOOD (Redmond Linden) Tilia americana euchlora

Native to Ohio: YES.... Tilia americana is found throughout Eastern North America

**Uses:** important as a nectar source for honeybees ~ honey

wood is easy to carve/cut

wood used for woodenware, wagons, boxes, furniture

inner bark of roots can be twisted into rope

buds, fruit and twigs are food for wildlife

leaves and flowers are edible

### **Description:**

Alternately branched; twigs have a distinctive zigzag shape

Buds green to red

Leaves deciduous, heart shaped, fine/ double toothed with uneven bases

5-10"

Bark dark, but often smooth grayish on upper branches/trunk

Flowers are very fragrant, in clusters

Fruit = small nutlet hanging under large leafy wing;

parachute to ground

Hybrid between Tilia americana and T. dasystyla  $\times$  T. cordata

# 22a. SMALL LEAF BASSWOOD (Linden) Tilia cordata

Native to Ohio: NO..... Native to Europe

**Uses**: planted as an ornamental in parks and tree lawns

**Description**: similar to *T. americana* 

however, leaves only 1.5 - 2.0 "



### 23. PIN OAK (Spanish Oak, Swamp Oak)

Quercus palustris

#### Native to Ohio...YES

Uses: Acorns are eaten by wildlife

Considered a low grade Red Oak lumber

**Description**: similar to Red Oaks alternate branching; bottom branches tend to point down terminal buds are small and hairless

Fruit= seed is an acorn; small

This tree was planted as a memorial tree for Ann Hilty. Ann was a long time member of the Bluffton Tree Commission. Her love for trees and nature is recognized by this tree planted for her on Arbor Day 2007.





### **24.** BLACK WALNUT Juglans nigra

Native to Ohio.... YES

Uses: one of the most valuable lumber wood heavy, strong heartwood used in veneers, cabinets, gunstocks, floors bark is used in tanning husks used to make a yellowish brown dye wildlife eat the walnuts (people also) juglan chemical used to kill fish (now illegal) some fruit and vegetables will not grow near black walnut trees

#### Identification...

can grow up to 150 feet tall
alternate branching; twigs are stout with
chambered pith
buds are whitish/wooly
bark is deeply furrowed; dark chocolate colored
leaves are deciduous, pinnately compound (12 – 24")
Fruit= thick husked nut





# **25**. **BLACK LOCUST** Robinia pseudo-acacia

Native to Ohio.... YES

**Uses:** Often used as fence posts

wood is strong and slow to rot

seeds eaten by bobwhite, pheasants,

rabbits, deer, mourning doves

#### **Description:**

Branching is alternate; twigs have short, paired thorns flanking leaf scars

Leaves are deciduous, compound having 6-20 egg shaped leaflets

Flowers white, hanging clusters, fragrant

Fruit is flat pod ~ 2 – 6" long





### **26. SYCAMORE** Platanus occidentalis

# Native to Ohio.... YES (Old World Sycamores are called Plane trees (have 2 or more fruit balls/stem))

**Uses:** one of the most massive eastern US trees

old at 500-600 yrs of age;

hard, coarse grained wood used for boxes,

barrels, cutting boards, furniture, cabinets,

cavities large enough to live in

native Americans used trees for canoes

twigs eaten by deer and muskrats; cavities

house raccoons, opossum

### **Description:**

alternate branching; bark mottled with age; white camouflage pattern; grows naturally along stream banks

leaves are deciduous, "maple leafed" shape; petioles are hollow, cover buds; terminal buds missing

Fruit= one aggregate ball/stem; dry seed ball, smaller than a golf ball This sycamore was planted as our 2017 Arbor Day tree.





# **27. LODGEPOLE PINE** Pinus contorta var. latifolia

Native to Ohio.... NO...native to the Rocky Mts. from Alaska to Colorado Uses: planted as a forestry tree in USA and Great Britain.

# **Description:**

2 needles per fascicle fire dependent for cone opening thin, rather smooth bark Fruit= pine cones shorter than 2"; oval shape



### 28. RED MULBERRY Morus rubra

Native to Ohio.... YES... and the eastern US

**Uses:** fruit (berries) are a choice edible for squirrels, many songbird species, humans

# **Description:**

Alternate branching Leaves are deciduous, serrated; often lobed /not lobed on same tree End buds false

Fruit = multiple berry (red to purple/black when ripe)



# **29. BLUE SPRUCE** *Picea pungens*

Native to Ohio.... NO....native to western US..... Many cultivated varieties Uses: planted in parks, urban areas, used as Christmas trees

\*Picea pungens\* (Colorado blue spruce) is the state tree of Colorado.

### **Description:**

needles have a bluish cast; are sturdy, sharp, spiney Fruit= cones have scales that bend slightly outwards



# **30.** ARBORVITAE (Northern White Cedar) Thuja occidentalis

Native to Ohio...southern OH; northern IL; NW IN.... Many cultivated varieties Uses: called "tree of life" for its Vitamin C content (preventing scurvy)

a true cedar; favors calcareous soils, high water tables; in bogs and boggy lake borders and limestone cliff faces

some of the largest Arborvitae formerly grew in Adams Co. ; Trees were 5-

ft. in circumference and aged  $\sim$  300 years; growing along the dolomite outcrops and deeper soils of nearby forests

commonly used as a windbreak; also for posts, poles, rustic furniture **Description**: shrub-like tree, evergreen, needles scale-like flat not sninev

Fruit= small cones (~ 0.5 inches)



# **31. WHITE ASH** *Fraxinus americana v. Autumn purple*

Native to Ohio.... YES, Fraxinus americana ..... But many cultivated varieties are not

Uses: one of the most beautiful native trees in OH, however it is being regionally killed by the Emerald Ash borer; wood is used widely, particularly for athletic equipment (baseball bats), agricultural implements, tools, furniture, and interior finishings

some forests in Ohio were 30% white ash

#### **Description:**

the flowers are of two types: pollen bearing occur in dense reddish-purple clusters while seed producing in rather open pinnacles

branching is opposite; branches are stout; terminal bud prominent, dark brown

leaves are deciduous, pinnately compound, entire edges

White Ash

Fruit = single winged samara

# **32. CHINKAPIN OAK**

Quercus muehlenbergii

Native to Ohio...YES... throughout the eastern US including Texas; prefer limestone soils; local occurrences may be due to introduction by flood waters of the Ohio River

Uses: used as fence rails burned to fuel riverboats railroad ties; harvested to open land for agriculture; few large trees are left

#### **Description:**

alternate branching; several terminal buds deciduous leaves usually have sharp lobes branches are gray fruit = acorns; smooth scaled cap, elongated



### **33. AUSTRIAN PINE** *Pinus nigra*

Native to Ohio..... No.... Originally from Europe, introduced to N. America Uses: This was the 1<sup>st</sup> tree to be planted during the dedication of the Dust

Belt Shelter Program in 1935;

It is easily grown from seed;

It thrives in many soil types and transplants well

It is used as a landscaping tree; along highways (tolerates salt spray)

### **Description:**

Evergreen; needles in bundles of ; stout, ~ 3" long, green Fruit = typical pine cone; cone is wide and short

#### **34.** KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE

Gymnocladus dioicus

Native to Ohio.... Yes....

**Uses:** fence posts, railroad ties

red wood is coarse, but strong; polishes well

for use in cabinet making

seeds used as coffee during the Civil War

native Americans roasted the seeds

fruit = short pods; inner pulp reported to be poisonous; sicken cattle the bitter seeds were seldom eaten by wildlife; remain viable for several years

# **Description:**

deciduous, alternate, double pinnately compound leaves; 17 – 36"

NO thorns; bark dark and scaly

leaves are among the last to appear in the spring; first to turn in the fall





**35. OSAGE ORANGE** *Maclura pomifera* 

Native to Ohio.....YES... but primarily in a limited area centered on the Red River Valley in southern Oklahoma / northern Texas / Arkansas.....spread rapidly throughout the eastern US

Uses: Planted as living fences or hedgerows on farms and spread from these restricted linear beginnings; early form of barbed wire wildlife feed on fruit; fruit supposedly keeps away spiders

Fruit = large, fleshy, multiple, orange-like wood chips produced a yellow dye when boiled

Used to make bows; French call the bows and this tree "Bodarc, Bodock"

### **Description:**

deciduous leaves, simple, entire, egg shaped somewhat long pointed alternate branching; branches have small thorns each side of the leaf scar tree sap milky wood is yellow

Fruit= large, light green/yellow fleshy, aggregate ball

Named after the native American tribe, Osage Indians, living in Arkansas



#### **36. TREE OF HEAVEN** Ailanthus altissima

### Native to Ohio.....NO.....an invasive species..... Native to Asia

Rapidly grows in waste places, woods, fields Prefers moist and loamy soil It is drought hardy, but can tolerate flooding

Uses: Brought to the US as an urban street tree

Noted as a tree species that could tolerate New York City pollution.... And was widely planted there

#### **Description:**

Bark smooth gray, but often becoming somewhat rougher with age; developing light tan fissures

Deciduous leaves are pinnately compound; 10 or more leaflets; fall color yellowish-green

Branches are stout; false terminal bud; large leaf scars

Buds are woolly-brown

Seeds are large bunches of single samaras



#### **37. BIG TOOTH ASPEN**

Populus grandidentata

### Native to Ohio.... YES....distributed widely in the Northern Hemisphere

Rapidly grow but short lived

Can easily colonize barren, cleared, burned sites

**Uses**: for paper pulp, in construction, as ornamentals and windbreaks

Can help in reclamation of barren, abandoned areas

Seeds, buds and twigs important food for beavers, moose, rabbits, song

and game birds

#### **Description:**

Bark is gray in color with deep furrows and thick ridges on lower trunk Upper branches and trunk pale green to whitish

Leaves are deciduous; waxy with 5-15 pairs of large leaf teeth and flattened

leaf petioles





# **38.** BUR OAK (MOSSYCUP OAK) Quercus macrocarpa

Native to Ohio.... YES except for eastern corner....

prefers deep rich soil, but is drought and shade tolerant

 $\textbf{Uses:} \ \ \text{game birds and mammals readily eat the acorns}$ 

and young twigs

hardwood lumber source

### **Description:**

bark is dark grey, deeply furrowed, many ridges, scales branches develop corky ridges with age leaves deciduous; have rounded lobes; very mis-shapened fall color is yellow or brown fruit = acorn; very distinct rough, fibrous acorn caps



# **39. RED MAPLE** Acer rubrum

Native to Ohio..... YES.... Prefers swamps....wetland habitat

Uses: wood sometime used in furniture

### **Description:**

bark on young trunks is smooth gray, but becomes
darker and breaks up into long scales as it ages
leaves deciduous; 3 to 5 lobes; notches between lobes
are shallow
twigs and buds are reddish
fall leaf color is scarlet
fruit = double winged samara (typical for all maples)



# **40.** TURKISH FILBERT Corylus colurna

Native to Ohio.... NO.... Native to SE Europe and SW Asia

Uses: as an ornamental shade tree

well suited to urban conditions (poor soils, salt, pollution tolerant, pest free except for Japanese beetles)

#### **Description:**

large shade tree or as a srub
deciduous, alternate branching
leaves simple, 6", double serrated
fall color yellow
bark is pale gray-buff; branches develop a thick corky texture
nut enclosed in a very fibrous shell





**41.**SERVICEBERRY (JUNEBERRY, SHADBERRY)

Amelanchier sp. v. grandiflora

(Autumn Brilliance)

Amelanchier sp. x grandiflora v. "Princess Diana"

(Princess Diana)

many species/ varieties associated with this Genus both native species and hybrids/cultivars

Native to Ohio.....YES, Amelanchier canadensis is throughout the state.... Along wood edges

**Uses**: berries are eaten by wildlife

humans also enjoy berries from the shadberry

### **Description:**

small understory tree
leaves deciduous, serrated, simple
alternate branching
fall colors are yellow to red
prefer dry soils, hillsides, open fields
forest edges
bark is light gray, smooth with shallow cracks



# 42. AMERICAN HORNBEAM (MUSCLEWOOD, BLUE BEECH) Carpinus caroliniana

Native to Ohio:.... YES..... Prefers moderately fertilized soil; shaded sites

**Uses:** wildlife eat the fruits (nutkins) wood is heavy and tough; charcoal made from this tree used to make gunpowder

### **Description:**

small understory tree
distinctive "muscle looking" trunk
bark smooth greyish and fluted ("muscular" looking)
deciduous; fall color bright red
leaves are simple, double serrated
Fruit is a small nutlet surrounded by papery bracts



43. RED CHOKEBERRY

Aronia arbutifolia

Native to Ohio:..... YES... wetlands; swamps

**Uses**: important to wildlife

**Description:** shrub

deciduous leaves simple, serrated

red, fleshy fruits surround seeds (small drupes)





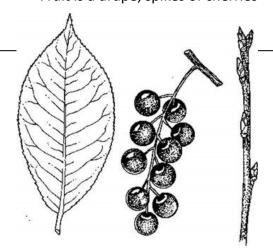
# **44. CHOKE CHERRY** Prunus virginiana

Native to Ohio: YES Uses: fruit is edible

readily eaten by birds other wildlife

### **Description:**

alternate branching deciduous leaves, simple, serrated lenticels are very noticeable, horizontal on bark Fruit is a drupe; spikes of cherries



# 45. RIVER BIRCH (RED or BLACK BIRCH) Betula nigra

Native to Ohio: ..... YES in southern Ohio....riparian woods

Uses: as a shade tree; yellow in the fall

wood used for wooden ware and furniture; never large enough for

lumber

used for ox yokes and wooden shoes; hoops for rice casks in the south

# **Description:**

Leaves are simple, serrated; branches alternate, reddish older bark is reddish brown; on younger wood it readily separates into paper thin sheets to expose pinkish, tannish, light colored bark underneath Fruit is in the form of a catkin

Wood is hard, strong, close grained and dense It is the most southern growing birch in North America



### **46. CRIMSON CLOUD HAWTHORN**

Crataegus sp. v. "Crimson Cloud"

Native to Ohio: many species of Hawthorns.... Some are native to Ohio; however cultivated varieties are not

**Uses:** fruits (pomes) are edible and can be used to make jellies and jams; the wood is tough

### **Description:**

wood is tough; hard to break hawthorn trees have thorns......thorns are variable, but usually slender leaves vary in shape, but all are simple and toothed may grow as a tree or shrub fruit is a pome (apple like) but varies in color and size



# **47. HAZEL** *Corylus sp.*

Not native to Ohio, but some species are native to eastern US; other species native to the Mediterranean, eastern Asia

**Uses:** source of filberts or hazel nuts wood is prized for its strength and durability

### **Description:**

deciduous, simple leaves, alternate, serrated can grow as a shrub or tree male flowers = catkin female flowers = small, inconspicuous nut surrounded by thin ragged covering



# 48. SHAGBARK HICKORY Carya ovata

Native to Ohio... Yes

**Uses:** very hard wood; for ax handles and other tools; wildlife and people ate the hickory nuts bats use shaggy to hide under

**Description**: alternate branching; pinnately compound serrated leaves very distinct shaggy bark large scale covered buds fruit is a hard mast... a hickory nut



# 49. CUT LEAF SUMAC (STAGHORN SUMAC) Rhus typhina

Native to Ohio....Yes

**Uses:** flowers can be used in tea and herbal flavorings wildlife / birds eat small berry-like fruits landscaping... especially for the fall colors

**Description:** alternate, pinnately compound deeply serrated leaves branches and buds are scout, pubescent characteristic compound flower inflorescent growth form: short, spreading, often forming clone groups





# **50. FLOWERING PEAR** *Pyrus calleryana var. Bradford*

Native to Ohio.... NO..... Native to China; SE Asia

This is a cultivated variety of the pear tree. It has been developed for its use as an ornamental street tree. However, it as become an invasive tree and it is suggested that it no longer be planted. It should be eliminated.

Its flowers are gorgeous in the spring; very nice fall foliage also...... but its small fruits attract birds and seedlings have been showing up in native woods much too often....outcompeting the native vegetation. There are several in this Village Arboretum..... They will be removed to allow space for native specimen trees to be planted.



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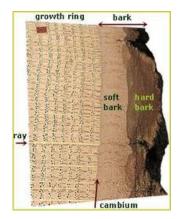




A large tree takes in hundreds of gallons of water in just one day.



A substance in the leaves of a tree that makes it green is called chlorophyll.



Bark is a tree's skin... it protects the tree from insect damage, disease and harsh weather.

Some trees can live for 100's of years.



Leaves act as tiny natural air conditioners.

They give off water vapor and cool down the air on hot days.



taproot grows straight down into the soil.



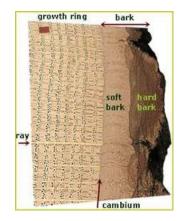
**Angiosperms** 

Monocots **Dicots Examples: Examples:** Lilies **Deciduous** Palm trees (woody) **Grasses** trees Tulips Some flowers **Daffodils** 

Palm trees are more a part of the grass family than the woody tree family.

# 3 million year old Ginkgo leaf fossils have been found in China.



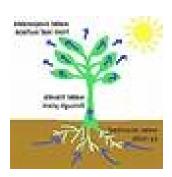


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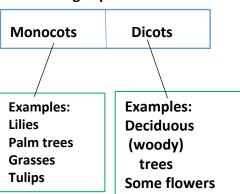
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