

Fraxinus pennsylvanica

Green ash



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The Olive Family (Oleaceae)

This small, round-topped tree measures around 70 feet tall at maturity; has compound leaves with 5-9 leaflets; and is moderately shade tolerant.

Habitat: The tree prefers bottomlands subject to frequent flooding or overflow; will grow in almost any soil type, as long as moist.

Interesting Facts: This tree is a common victim of the invasive emerald ash borer.

Fruit: The fruit is 1-2 inch long single-winged samara containing one seed; and ripens in the fall.

Flower: The flower is light green to purple; petalless flowers are found at base of leaf stalk. Females are loose bundles, and males are tight bundles.

Wildlife value: It is valued by birds for cover and seeds; leaves, twigs, and seeds are eaten by many mammals.