

Ulmus alata

Winged elm



The Elm Family (Ulmaceae)

The tree is a fast-growing deciduous tree standing 40-90 feet tall; and has corky “wings” on sides of twigs and branches with alternate, double-serrate leaves.

Habitat: The tree prefers dry sites; often found in hardwood forests or abandoned fields; and found across southern and central U.S.

Interesting Facts: This is the most common elm in Louisiana.

Fruit: The fruit is reddish, winged fruit with a notched end containing one seed.

Flower: The flower is small, reddish and found in clusters; and blooms in early spring before the leaves appear.

Wildlife value: Seeds are eaten by birds and squirrels; twigs and leaves are eaten by deer.

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