

## GREEN ASH

### *Fraxinus pennsylvanica*



Family:	Olive
Native to:	North America
Hardiness Zones:	3 to 9A
Bloom Time:	April to May
Height:	60-80 feet
Spread:	60-80 feet

#### DECIDUOUS TREE

#### Culture:

Green ash, also called red ash, swamp ash, and water ash, is the most widely distributed of all the America ashes. Naturally a moist bottomland or stream bank tree, it is hardy to climatic extremes, but is best grown in moist, organically rich, well-drained loams in full sun.

#### Did you know?

Since the onset of Dutch Elm disease, Green Ash has been over-planted in urban and conservation settings as a replacement for American Elm. It serves as a good shade and street tree.

The largest tree is in North Dakota standing 69 feet tall with a canopy spread of 74 feet.

Green ash is an important source of cover and food for livestock and wildlife, including frogs. The samaras, a winged fruit of this tree, are good forage for the wood duck, northern bobwhite, purple finch, pine grosbeak, fox squirrel, and mice, and many other birds and small mammals.

The durable wood is used to make tool handles, oars, canoe paddles, baseball bats, furniture, antique vehicle parts, snowshoes, cabinets, railroad cars and ties.

