



Pecan Juglandaceae *Carya illinoensis* (Wangenh.) K. Koch

Leaf: Alternate, pinnately compound with 9 to 15 finely serrate and often curved leaflets, 12 to 18 inches long.

Flower: Monecious; male flowers in hanging, yellow-green catkins, often in pairs of three (4 to 5 inches long); females are small and yellowish green, 4-angled.

Fruit: Large, oblong, brown, splotched with black, thin shelled nuts, 1 1/2 to 2 inches long, husks are thin, usually occur in clusters on trees, mature in fall.

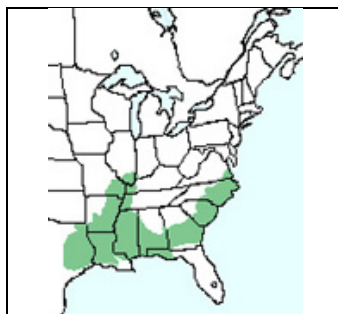
Twig: Moderately stout, light brown, fuzzy (particularly when young); leaf scars large and three lobed; buds are yellowish brown to brown, hairy, with terminal buds 1/4 to 1/2 inch long.

Bark: Smooth when young, becoming narrowly fissured into thin broken strips, often scaly.

Form: A large tree (can reach heights well over 100 feet) with spreading crown when in the open.

Planting Instructions: Dig a hole twice the size of the roots. Plant with rich organic soil mixture to a depth so that the top of the roots are just under the general soil surface and water well. Continue watering twice a week through August, then once a week through September. Consider mature growth when selecting planting location. Light: Sun to part sun.

Very good native tree for supporting a variety of wildlife.



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