#### **Common Trees**

#### **Lobed Leaves**

#### **Simple Leaves**



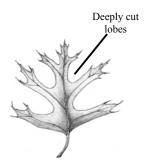
Bur Oak
Leaves turn brown in



White Oak
Leaves turn
burgundy in fall



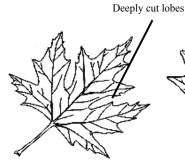
Red Oak
Leaves turn red in
the fall; has
"alligator" bark.



Pin Oak

**Large Rounded Leaves** 

### **Lobed Leaves**



Silver Maple
Leaves turn yellow
in the fall



Sugar Maple Leaves turn orange in the fall



Cottonwood
Older trees have large trunks; cotton-like seeds; makes a whispering sound in the wind.



Basswood
Often has multiple trunks
Leaves can be several inches
across

# **Small Rounded or Triangular Leaves**



Ouaking Aspen
Dark brown twigs;
Small round leaves;
makes a whispering sound
in the wind



Hackberry
Cork-like bark;
Berries in mid summer;
Leaves often have
"bumps" on them and
can be yellowish-green



Paper Birch
White flakey bark

## **Simple Leaves**

## **Smooth and Shiny Leaves**

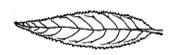
### **Long and Narrow Leaves**



**Black Cherry** Black fruit in mid-summer; flaky bark on mature trees



non-native; highly invasive; dark fruit



**Black Willow** Grows only in damp places; thin leaf

### **Leaves with Saw-Toothed Edges**



<u>Ironwood</u> Leaves feel fuzzy and soft; grows in the understory of the forest.



American Elm Leaves feel rough

### **Compound Leaves**



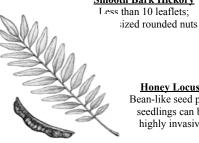
**Box Elder** 3-5 leaflets; has "helicopter" seeds



<u>Butternut</u> 11-17 leaflets; Similar to walnut; fruit is lemonshaped



Green Ash 5-7 leaflets



Smooth Bark Hickory Less than 10 leaflets;



### **Growth Factor Chart**

**Fast Growing Trees** 

**Slow Growing Trees** 

Tree species	Growth Factor	Tree Species	Growth Factor
Quaking Aspen	2	Green Ash	4
Cottonwood	2	American Elm	4
Black Willow	2	Red Oak	4
Basswood	3	Red Maple	4.5
Pin Oak	3	Black Walnut	4.5
Silver Maple	3	White Birch	5
Box Elder	3	Black Cherry	5
River Birch	3.5	White Pine	5
Smooth Bark Hickory	4	Sugar Maple	5.5
White/Bur Oak	5	Red Pine (Norway Pine)	5.5
Honeylocust	3	Ironwood	7
		Redbud	7
		Shagbark Hickory	7.5

http://forestry.about.com/od/silviculture/a/estimating-A-Trees-Age/htm www.Treetalk.mortonarb.org

## **Aging Trees Data Chart**

Species of Tree Circumference (in inches) Circumference (in in inches) Circumference (in inches)

Give yourself four points for aging a tree.
Give yourself 2 points for every tree you successfully aged (8 points maximum).
Total points possible: 12 points Total points for you: