

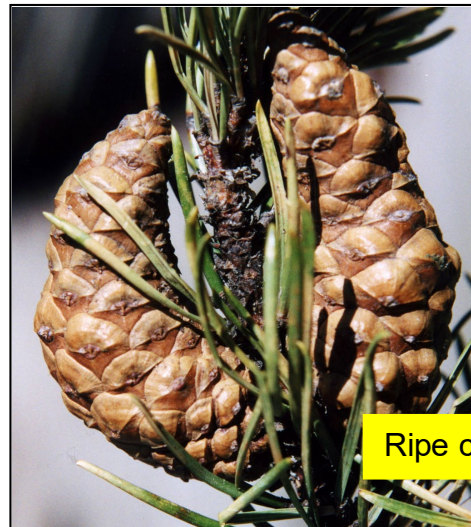
# Jack Pine

*Pinus banksiana*



**Notify State Forest Nursery as you begin collecting cones. Please call if you have any questions: 218-652-2385.**

- Best to collect after September 5
- Do not collect cones with insect bore holes
- New ripe cones are tan
- Old cones are gray and are still collectable if bore holes are not present
- Not all jack pine cones are closed on the tree; some cones might be open. Do not collect open cones
- Straight, un-hooked cones are preferred
- Cones should be free of stems
- Do not over-fill or pile gunnysacks
- Sacks should weigh less than 50 pounds, for handling
- Transfer cones to the Nursery weekly



Ripe cones are tan.

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