

Minnesota's Native Trees

Minnesota is home to 53 native tree species.

DECIDUOUS



NORTHERN
RED OAK

- American basswood
- American elm
- American hornbeam (blue beech)
- American mountain ash
- Balsam poplar (balm-of-Gilead)
- Bigtooth aspen (largetooth aspen, poplar, popple)
- Bitternut hickory
- Black ash
- Black cherry
- Black maple
- Black oak
- Black walnut
- Box elder
- Bur oak
- Butternut
- Chinkapin oak (yellow chestnut oak)
- Eastern cottonwood
- Eastern hop hornbeam (ironwood)
- Green ash (red ash)

- Hackberry
- Honeylocust
- Kentucky coffeetree
- Mountain maple
- Northern mountain ash (showy mountain ash)
- Northern pin oak (Jack oak, Hill oak)
- Northern red oak
- Paper birch
- Pin cherry

GREEN ASH



- Quaking aspen (trembling aspen, poplar, popple)
- Red maple
- Red mulberry
- River birch
- Rock elm
- Shagbark hickory
- Silver maple
- Slippery elm (red elm)
- Sugar maple
- Swamp white oak
- White ash
- White oak
- Willow
- Yellow birch

CONIFEROUS

- Balsam fir
- Black spruce
- Eastern hemlock
- Eastern red cedar (juniper)
- Eastern white pine
- Jack pine
- Northern white cedar

WHITE
SPRUCE



EASTERN
WHITE PINE



- Red pine (Norway pine)
- Tamarack (eastern or American larch)
- White spruce

Different trees thrive under different conditions. When planting trees, native species are a good choice. Tree professionals can help choose species that are right for the site.

To learn more about Minnesota's native trees, check out the following:

- Trees of Minnesota. Minnesota's Bookstore, order number 9-1, phone: 800-657-3757, www.comm.media.state.mn.us
- Minnesota Trees. Minnesota Extension Service, order number BU-00486-GO, phone: 800-876-8636, www.extension.umn.edu
- Nature Snapshots: Trees & Shrubs, www.dnr.state.mn.us/trees_shrubs/index.html