

Green/Red Ash

Genus/species Fraxinus pennsylvanica

Family Oleaceae

Distribution Eastern and Central US E Texas eastward to N Florida

N Florida northeastward to Maine Maine westward to central Montana Central Montana southeastward to E Texas Absent from most upland areas of Northeast

Comments

Green Ash, also called Red Ash, is a very widespread species typically found in floodplains and other moist areas, often following rivers far westward into otherwise mostly treeless areas. It is a quickly-growing medium-sized tree. The compound leaves, each composed of seven to nine pointed, slightly-toothed leaflets, are borne in pairs (opposite) on the twigs. The male and female flowers are produced on separate trees in the spring. The pollen is spread by the wind, and the female flowers develop into paddle-shaped fruit, each containing one seed, that ripen in the autumn.









