

MATURE SHELLBARK HICKORY

MATURE SIZE

HEIGHT

80

FEET

SPREAD

40

FEET

SHAPE

OVAL

GROWING CONDITIONS

MOIST SOILS

SHELLBARK HICKORY

Carya laciniosa (Ka-ree-uh luh-sin-ee-oh-suh)

ABOUT:

Scattered throughout Ohio, this large shade tree grows in moist bottomlands. Ducks, quail, wild turkeys, squirrels, chipmunks, deer, foxes, raccoons and white-footed mice eat hickory nuts.

LEAF



1-2 feet long; medium green to dark yellow-green in summer and faded green to chartreuse in fall

SEED



Largest seeds of the hickories; sweet kernel surrounded by a hard, bony shell with four to six ribs; thick outer elongated husk splits into four quarters when ripe

BARK



Gray bark with shallow furrows; when young, looks exactly like Shagbark Hickory but doesn't develop the peeling bark of Shagbark Hickory