

American Hornbeam (*Carpinus caroliniana*)

TREE APPEARANCE

Form: rounded to broad spreading, may be multistemmed

Mature height: 20 - 30 feet

Spread: 20 - 30 feet

Flowers: catkins hang on leafed-out tree in April

Fall color: variation in color, from yellow to orange to red

Fruit: small nuts hang in papery sacs in clusters

Growth rate: slow



CULTURE

Soil: moist to average soil; tolerates moderate drought and occasional wet soil

Light: sun to full shade

NOTES

Sometimes called Ironwood or Musclewood for its unusually hard wood; does well in shade; tolerant of air pollution



Fall Color



Fall Fruit



Spring Catkins

