

# MOCKERNUT HICKORY

*Carya tomentosa*



Louisiana State University

<b>Mature Height</b>	70 to 90 Feet	<b>Soil Type</b>	Well-drained
<b>Mature Spread</b>	45 to 55 Feet	<b>Flower Color</b>	Yellow
<b>Mature Form</b>	Ovate	<b>Foliage Color</b>	Light Green
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Moderate to Slow	<b>Fall Color</b>	Yellow to Brown
<b>Sun Exposure</b>	Sun to Partial Shade	<b>Zones</b>	4-9
<b>Soil Moisture</b>	Moist to well-drained		

The Mockernut Hickory, *Carya tomentosa*, is a tall, deciduous tree. The pear-shaped nuts it produces are an important food source for wildlife. The nuts ripen in September and October, giving off a sweet fragrance. In the spring, flower clusters hang from the branches as leaves begin to unfold. The pinnately compound leaf usually has seven leaflets.

The Mockernut grows well in upland sites and tolerates moist soils and grows well among other trees. Leaves can be softly wooly and the buds are large.



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