


green ash [Oleaceae](#) [Fraxinus](#) *pennsylvanica* Marsh.  symbol:
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Leaf: Opposite, pinnately compound with 7 to 9 serrate leaflets that are lanceolate to elliptical in shape, entire leaf is 6 to 9 inches long, green above and glabrous to silky-pubescent below.

Flower: Species is dioecious; light green to purplish, both sexes lacking petals, females occurring in loose panicles, males in tighter clusters, appear after the leaves unfold.

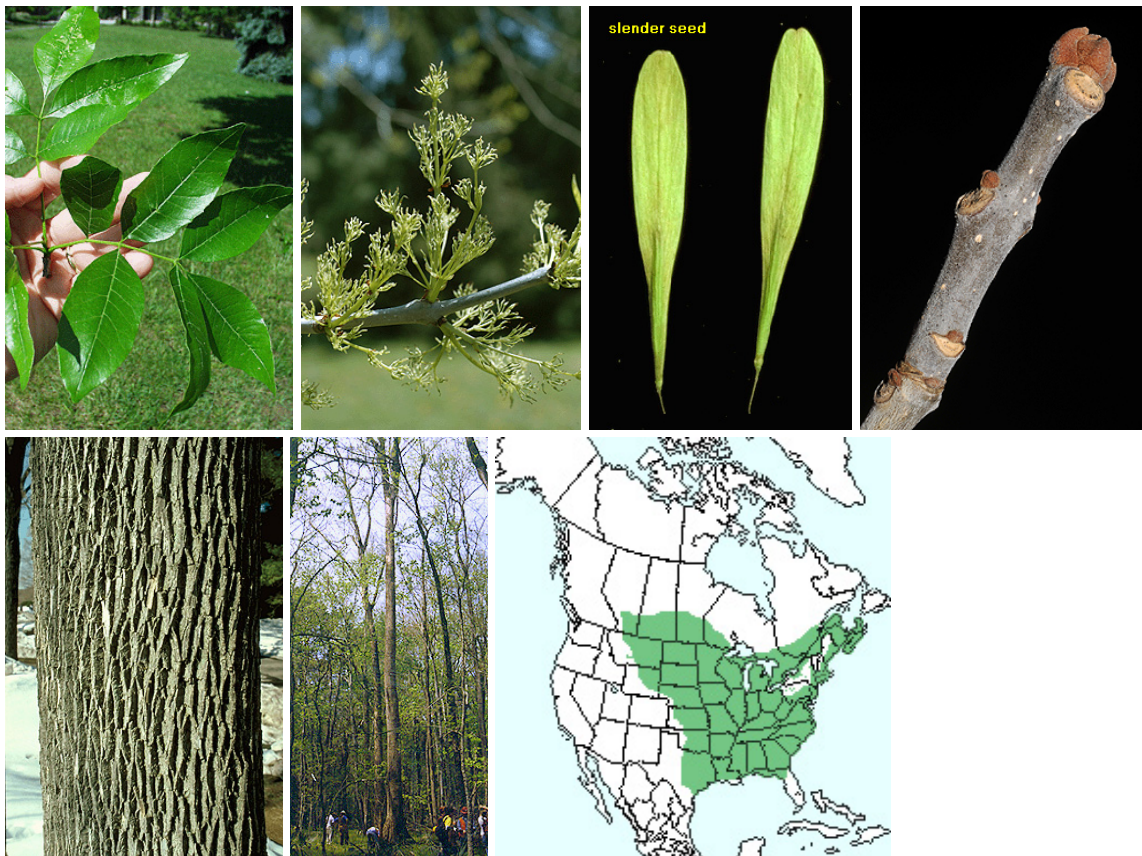
Fruit: A single-winged, dry, flattened samara with a slender, thin seed cavity, maturing in autumn and dispersing over winter.

Twig: Stout to medium texture, gray to green-brown and either glabrous or pubescent, depending on variety; leaf scars are semicircular to flat across the top, with lateral buds sitting on top of leaf scar (not down in a notch as with white ash).

Bark: Ashy gray to brown in color, with interlacing corky ridges forming obvious diamonds; older trees may be somewhat scaly.

Form: A medium sized tree to 70 feet tall with a poorly formed bole and an irregular to round crown.

Looks like: [white ash](#) - [black ash](#) - [Carolina ash](#) - [pumpkin ash](#)



Additional Range Information:
Fraxinus pennsylvanica is native to North America. Range may be expanded by planting. [See states reporting green ash.](#)

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