

# Leaves of Louisiana Forests



red maple  
*Acer rubrum*

palmate leaf venation



red buckeye  
*Aesculus pavia*

palmate leaflet arrangement



river birch  
*Betula nigra*

rhombic leaf shape



French mulberry  
*Callicarpa americana*

serrate leaf margins



flowering dogwood  
*Cornus florida*

arcuate leaf venation



American beech  
*Fagus grandifolia*

pinnate leaf venation



slash pine  
*Pinus elliotii*

aciculate leaves in fascicles



green ash  
*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*

opposite leaf arrangement



eastern redcedar  
*Juniperus virginiana*

appressed scale leaves



elderberry  
*Sambucus canadensis*

pinnate leaflet arrangement



yellow-poplar  
*Liriodendron tulipifera*

truncate leaf tip



Japanese yew  
*Podocarpus macrophylla*

linear leaves



American sycamore  
*Platanus occidentalis*

pinnipalmate leaf venation



white oak  
*Quercus alba*

lobed leaf margins



cherrybark oak  
*Quercus pagoda*

incised leaf margins



water oak  
*Quercus nigra*

spatulate leaves



black willow  
*Salix nigra*

linear leaf shape



eastern cottonwood  
*Populus deltoides*

deltate leaf shape



switchcane  
*Arundinaria gigantea*

parallel leaf venation



American elm  
*Ulmus americana*

inequilateral leaf base



hornbeam  
*Carpinus caroliniana*

doubly serrate margins



honeylocust  
*Gleditsia triacanthos*

bipinnately compound



camphor tree  
*Cinnamomum camphora*

camphor aroma when crushed



southern magnolia  
*Magnolia grandiflora*

green, leathery upper surface  
rusty pubescent lower surface



starbush  
*Illicium floridanum*

entire leaf margin  
licorice aroma



cherry laurel  
*Prunus caroliniana*

spined margins  
cherry aroma when crushed



planer tree  
*Planera aquatica*

alternate leaf arrangement



coral honeysuckle  
*Lonicera sempervirens*

perfoliate leaves



lanceleaf greenbrier  
*Smilax lanceolata*

lanceolate leaf shape



baldcypress  
*Taxodium distichum*

feather-like twigs  
awl-shaped needles



sourwood  
*Oxydendrum arboreum*

tastes sour



water tupelo  
*Nyssa aquatica*

elliptical leaf shape



Carolina basswood  
*Tilia americana* var. *caroliniana*

cordate leaf base



coral bean  
*Erythrina herbacea*

hastate (arrowhead-shaped)  
leaflets