

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