



*Betula nigra*

River Birch (page 1 of 2)

Trees are monoecious. Male flowers (left) are held in pendulous catkin. Female flowers are held in upright catkins (right).

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There is no true terminal bud. The lateral buds are long and sharply pointed. The stems are marked by glandular dots.

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The fruit is a cone-like strobile that contains small winged seeds.

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The alternate leaves have a rhomboid shape. The margin is doubly serrate.

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Form is multi-trunked and fairly open. Height from 40 to 60 feet.



Fall color is yellow



Bark is exfoliating, showing shades of cream, salmon and brown.

