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Dear Member,

Thank you for contributing to the Arbor Day Foundation and for sharing our mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. Please enjoy these free trees as a sign of our appreciation.

Your trees have arrived in a bundle; please separate them before planting. Included is a guide to help ensure proper planting conditions. Complete planting and transplanting instructions are in the enclosed *Tree Planting Guide*, and more information is available online at [arborday.org/plant](http://arborday.org/plant) or by scanning the QR code below.

Because we want your planting experience to be successful, your trees are guaranteed to arrive healthy and to grow, or they will be replaced within one year of shipment.

If you need further assistance, please contact Member Services at [info@arborday.org](mailto:info@arborday.org) or 888-448-7337.

Best regards,

The Arbor Day Foundation Team



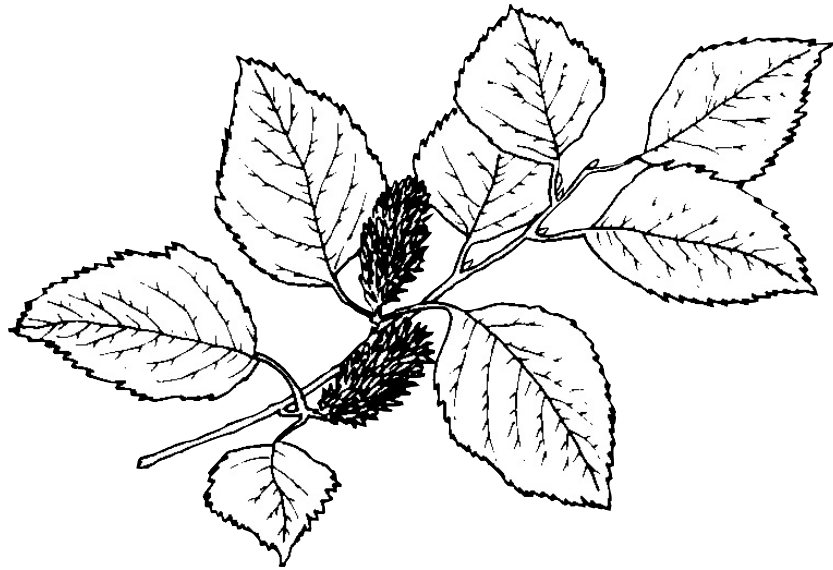
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## RIVER BIRCH *Betula nigra*

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Number of Trees: 10

Mature Height	40'–70'
Mature Canopy Spread	40'–60'
Growth Rate	Medium (13"–24" per year) to Fast (25" or more per year)
Sun Preference	Full Sun, Partial Shade
Soil Preference	Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained, or Wet

As its name suggests, the **river birch** naturally grows along river banks. But as a landscape tree, it can be planted almost anywhere in the U.S. The species is valued for its relatively rapid growth, tolerance of wetness and some drought, unique curling bark, spreading limbs, and relative resistance to birch borer.

The river birch provides a brilliant yellow fall color. The catkins are used by redpolls and pine siskins. The foliage is eaten by deer and other browsers. The small but plentiful seeds are appreciated by a wide range of songbirds.