

Ash Tree Identification

Key Ash Tree Characteristics



Opposite Branch Arrangements Buds, Leaves and Branches are directly across from one another



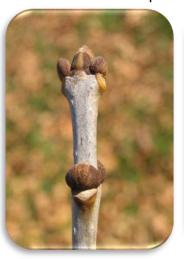
Pinnately Compound Leaves
Leaf made of leaflets arranged in a line with one terminal leaflet.
5-11 leaflets per leaf



<u>Diamond Patterned Bark</u> Ridges and furrows form diamond shapes in older bark (green & white ash)



Trees have an Upright, Oval Shape



Stout Twigs support prominent Brown Buds



Single Samara Fruit
Seed surrounded by a
dry, oar shaped wing

Some lookalikes and their key differences:

Norway Maple: Simple (not compound) lobed leaves, paired samara

Box Elder: Purplish twigs, lobed terminal leaflet, paired samara

Elderberry: Shrub, purple berries, large, white flowers

Walnut, Hickory, Mountain-Ash: Alternate branching

For more Emerald Ash Borer information and links go to http://nyis.info/eab

