



Height range 60-100'

Mockernut Hickory

Carya tomentosa

The Walnut Family (Juglandaceae)

Basic Description: A tall tree with a rounded crown, alternate, deciduous, hairy-backed aromatic leaves with seven to nine leaflets, and dark gray, interlaced net-like bark.

Interesting Facts: Its strong and elastic wood is valued for furniture and tools, and used in smoking meats. Black and yellow dyes and an astringent are produced from bark. Nuts sweet and eaten by humans. Host to Luna, Funeral Dagger, and Giant Regal moths.

Flower: Male: 3- 4" yellow-green catkins, three hanging from one stalk: Female: 2 to 5 small clusters near the tip of the twig, both appear in spring.

Fruit: 4-ribbed nut 1.5- 2" long, with thick, cleanly splitting greenish-brown hull and white edible meat.

Wildlife Value: Nuts, leaves and attracted insects are a food source for mammals, insects and insectivorous birds. Serves as cover for numerous small mammals, birds and insects.

Habitat: Moist upland forests, dry slopes and ridges.

LEAF TYPE
COMPOUND



POLLINATOR
WIND



WILDLIFE VALUE
HIGH

