

Hahn-Warner Arboretum

A Place to Grow



Sugar Maple Leaf and samaras. More commonly referred to as "helicopters," "whirlers," "twisters" or "whirligigs," samaras are the winged seeds produced by maple trees. (#18 and #44 in Hahn-Warner Arboretum)

The Hahn-Warner Arboretum is a unique six-acre parcel of town land that now harbors about thirty trees of different species planted over time since 1970 when the project was begun by George Hahn, a science teacher at the Michael E. Smith Middle School, and Edwin T. Warner, the South Hadley Tree Warden. The Arboretum is atop a gently sloping hillside bordered by Stony Brook on the east and north and by the athletic fields of the Middle School on the south and west. The Arboretum serves as an educational resource and as a nature park for town residents. The area is maintained by the Conservation Commission with a number of volunteers of the South Hadley Volunteer Conservation Corps. The South Hadley Tree Committee works with the Middle School to organize an annual Arbor Day celebration, held at the Arboretum, at which students are awarded for their essays on Arbor Day themes and a tree is planted in honor of an individual who has made significant contributions in protecting the town's natural resources. The Arboretum is a special place to explore at any time of year.

Want to get involved in maintaining the Arboretum or other South Hadley Conservation lands?

Join neighbors of all ages who volunteer to care for South Hadley's precious open space.

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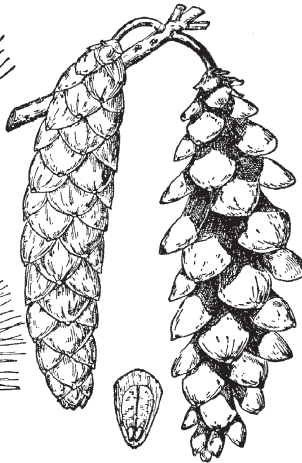
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Hahn-Warner Arboretum trees **

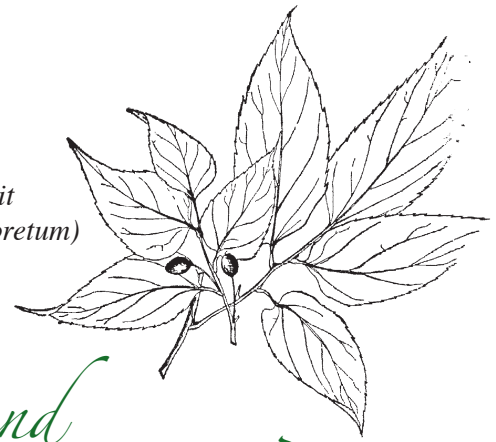
We invite you to visit the Arboretum and learn to identify trees using leaf and seed identification.

1. Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*)*
2. Sourwood
3. Columnar European Beech
4. Sugar Maple*
5. Hackberry*
6. Scotch Pine
7. Ornamental Pear
8. Hackberry*
9. Shagbark Hickory*
10. Black Locust
11. Paperbark Maple
12. European Hornbeam
14. Groenvelt Elm
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16. Amur Cork Tree
17. Red Maple*
18. Sugar Maple*
19. Sassafras*
20. Sourwood
21. Scotch Pine
22. Bradford(?) Pear
23. Eastern White Pine*
24. Red Maple*
25. Kentucky Coffee tree
27. Dawn Redwood
28. Hackberry(?)*
29. Sugar Maple*
30. Kentucky Coffee Tree
31. Eastern Redbud*
32. Kentucky Coffee Tree
33. unknown
34. Bur Oak*
35. Amur Cork Tree
36. Ash*
37. Silverbell (*Halesia*)*
38. Hawthorn*
39. Flowering Cherry
40. Snowball Lilac(?)
41. River Birch*
42. Japanese Stewartia
43. American Sycamore*
44. Sugar Maple*
45. Tuliptree



Eastern White Pine embryo and mature cones (#23 in Hahn-Warner Arboretum)

Hackberry leaves and fruit (#8 in Hahn-Warner Arboretum)



Why plant and encourage native species?

Most of our native insects have life cycles and biological adaptation that are out of synch with imported plants. To restore the health of our native ecosystems, we must plant native trees and other plants. Without plant eating insects there would be no butterflies, no birds and none of the creatures in the food chain that depend upon them. A healthy ecosystem is not just nice to have, it has been proven essential to human health.

South Hadley Tree Committee

Along with The South Hadley Conservation Commission, the Tree Committee co-sponsors Arbor Day events.

The mission of the Tree Committee is to increase, protect and maintain the health, beauty, quantity, diversity and vitality of South Hadley's trees for the benefit of its citizens and future generations. It works closely with the Tree Warden, all town departments and private developers on matters that affect South Hadley's trees in order to preserve and improve the tree canopy in our town.

Join us! If you are interested in becoming a member of the Committee, volunteering to plant and maintain town trees, or have an issue with a town tree to report, or would like a tree planted in front of your house, please contact the Tree Committee.

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* Denotes species native to Massachusetts
**Numbers refer to silver tags hanging from trees