

FRUIT & NUT TREES OF MAXWELL ARBORETUM

Latin Name *Asimina triloba*

Common Name Pawpaw

Family Annonaceae

HeightxWidth 12-20'+

Harvest time August-Oct.

Bloom time and color April/ maroon

Fruit color light green

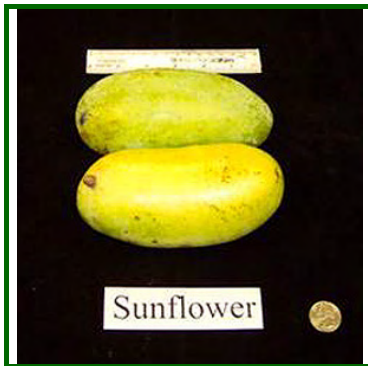


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Description Small slow growing deciduous tree, drooping leaves.
 flowers: in spring before leaves emerge, monoecious, broad bell-shaped, 6 petals, 1-1.5"
 leaves: alternate, simple, obovate-oblong, 5-11"x2-3", green above and below
 fruit: 2.5-4", green>yellow>brown

Fruit or Nut Use Fresh, baking, added to desserts. Tastes tropical...babana-mango-pineapple...
 Extremely nutritious; high in protein, vitamins, minerals

Notes Cultivar 'Sunflower': from Chanute, KS; a wild selection. self fertile?, large fruit, few seeds, later to bloom and ripen
 Largest U.S. fruit native to extreme se NE
 Difficult to transplant; move at less than 1.5' and when dormant
 Few pests



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FRUIT & NUT TREES OF MAXWELL ARBORETUM

Latin Name *Diospyros virginiana*

Common Name Persimmon

Family Ebenaceae

HeightxWidth 30-40'

Harvest time Oct.-Nov.

Bloom time and color late sp./grn-yellow

Fruit color yellow>dk. red



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Description

flowers: Dioecious; white/green/yellow

leaves: alternate, simple, oblong to oval, 2.5 to 5", pinnately veined, entire, shiny green above, paler underneath

fruit: berry, green turning to yellow>orange>red when ripe, .75-2" dia., astringent when green, sweet and edible after frost when ripe

Fruit or Nut Use

raw edible fruit; dry edible fruit, pulp or dried in baked goods; use for syrups, jellies, ice cream, pies; indelible ink from unripe fruits, oil from seeds, coffee substitute from roasted seeds

wildlife: songbirds, skunk, raccoon, squirrels, opossum, deer, turkeys, bobwhite, crows, rabbits...

Notes

native as far north and west as Kansas, grows in widely diverse habitats

no serious pests or diseases

easily recognized in winter by dk gray bark with rectangular blocks

root suckers form colonies



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