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American Beech: A Tree For Posterity

American Beech is a large, graceful tree which provides four seasons of interest as well as wildlife, bird and butterfly value. In spring its fresh green leaves are an early respite from winter; in summer the shade is unbeatable (and may even save on air conditioning costs); in fall its yellow against the blue sky is nothing short of elegant; the silvery smooth bark and intricate twig structure provides architectural interest all winter. Although we don't recommend it, the trunks are favorites for carving, and preserve initials and dates indefinitely.

Beech prefers an evenly moist site and is readily transplanted from nursery grown containers. Beechnuts are edible by humans, birds, and wildlife. Beech prefers moist, well drained, acidic soil, and will not tolerate wet or compacted sites. It does best in full sun but tolerates some shade, and requires a good amount of space, eventually reaching 50' or more. It's relatively slow growing, averaging about nine to twelve feet of growth in a ten year period.

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