

Diospyros virginiana



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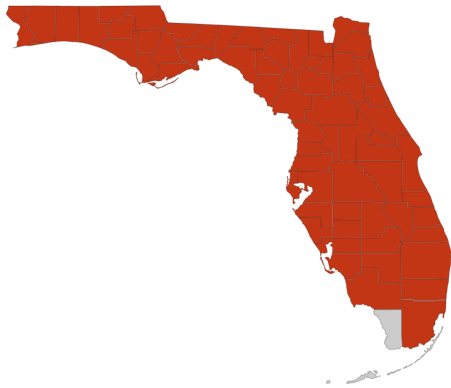
Persimmon

Ebenaceae

Plant Specifics

- Size:** 35 - 60 (100) ft tall by 15 - 35 ft wide
- Life Span:** Long-lived perennial
- Flower Color:** White
- Fruit Color:** Orange
- Phenology:** Deciduous. Blooms spring but inconspicuous. F ripens in fall. May live up to 100+ yrs.
- Habitats:** Dry-moist-wet sites. Disturbed sites, wetland edges, old fields, sandhill.

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:



Landscaping

- Recommended Uses:** Typically grown for its fruit. Plant in full sun. / useful as an early successional tree in old field restoration.
- Light:** ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade
- Moisture Tolerance:** Usually moist, occasional inundation ----- to - Somewhat long very dry periods
- Salt Water Flooding Tolerance:** Not salt tolerant of inundation by salty or brackish water.
- Salt Spray Tolerance:** Moderate. Tolerant of salty wind and may get some salt spray. Exposure to salt spray would be uncommon (major storms).
- Soil/Substrate:** Clay, Loam, Sand



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Wildlife



Fruits are used by a broad array of small mammals and some birds.

Larval host for royal walnut moth (*Citheronia regalis*), pecan carpenterworm moth (*Cossula magnifica*), pin-striped slug moth (*Monoleuca semifascia*), Wittfeld's forester (*Alypia wittfeldii*), hag moth (*Phobetron pithecium*), and luna moth (*Actias luna*).

Flowers are insect pollinated.