

Sassafras albidum



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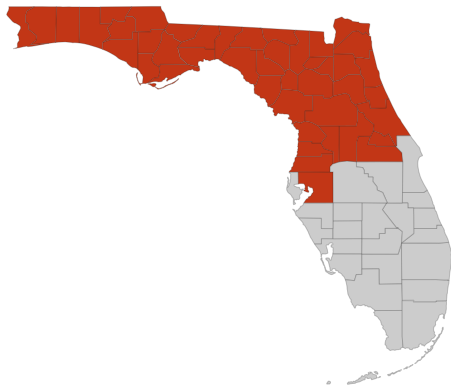
Sassafras

Lauraceae

Plant Specifics

- Size:** 30-60 ft tall by 25-40 ft wide, forms clones.
- Life Span:** Long-lived perennial
- Flower Color:** Yellow, NA
- Fruit Color:** Blue, black
- Phenology:** Deciduous. Inconspicuous blooms in mid-spring. Leaves turn red to yellow in fall.
- Habitats:** Dry sites. Dry mesic forests.

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:

8A 8B 9A

Landscaping

- Recommended Uses:** A relatively small tree that often forms thickets. Best used in informal settings.
- Light:** ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade
- Moisture Tolerance:** Somewhat moist, no flooding ----- to ----- Very long very dry periods
- Salt Water Flooding Tolerance:** Not salt tolerant of inundation by salty or brackish water.
- Salt Spray Tolerance:** Low/no tolerance of salty wind or direct salt spray
- Soil/Substrate:** Clay, Loam, Sand

Wildlife



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Birds consume fruit.

Larval food for spicebush butterfly (*Papilio troilus*), tiger swallow-tail (*papilio glaucus*), palamedes butterfly (*Papilio palamedes*).

Flowers attract pollinators.