Quaking Aspen

Populus tremuloides





Mature

Key Answerings

Native Range

General Attributes

Type Deciduous Tree 35 - 60 Feet Height **Spread** 20 - 30 Feet **Form** Columnar **Utility Lines** Incompatible **Growth Rate** Fast

Life Expectancy Short **USDA** Zone 2 - 6

Root Pattern Shallow Lateral

Plant Community

Sun Full Sun Orientation North, East **Soil Texture** Sand to Clay **Topography** Upland

Plant Community Forest, Savannah, Forest Edge,

Old Field

Succession Pioneer

Origin MSA Zone 1, MSA Zone 2,

MSA Zone 3, MSA Zone 4, MSA Zone 5, MSA Zone 6, Minnesota, North America

Flowers/Foliage/Fruits

Flower Color Gray Flower Season Spring Fruit Capsule

Fruit Color

Fruit Season Spring **Summer Texture** Medium Winter Texture Medium **Spring Foliage** Green **Summer Foliage** Green

Fall Foliage Yellow

Winter Foliage Not Applicable

Soils

Salt Spray Tolerance Moderate **Soil Salt Tolerance Tolerant Compaction Tolerance** Tolerant Water Table 12 Inches

Drainage Excessive, Moderate

Flood Tolerance Drought Tolerance

Moisture Regime

Dry, Moist, Wet pН 4.8 through 7.5

Windbreak Group

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Planting Ease		Maintenance	
Spring Bareroot	Easy	Formal	Moderate
Fall Bareroot	Easy	Informal	Low
Spring Container	Easy	2,4-D Tolerance	Sensitive
Fall Container	Easy	Dicamba Tolerance	Sensitive
	Lusy	Picloram Tolerance	Sensitive
Spring Seed		Clopyralid Tolerance	
Fall Seed		Artificial Light	Sensitive
		Sulfur Dioxide	Sensitive
		Ozone Tolerance	Sensitive
		Hydrogen Flouride	Moderate
		Nitrogen Oxide	

Pests/	Prob	lems
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Pests/Problems		Miscellaneous	
Allergens	males 9, females 1	Wildlife Rating	High
Invasiveness	Invasive	Insect Concerns	Major
Toxicity		Disease Concern	Major
Cold Injury	Not Susceptible	Wildlife Concerns	

Storm Damage Susceptible **Biological Control**

Mechanical Control Chemical Control

Comments

Native species that reseeds itself after forest fires. Wood used for paper pulp and furniture; bark favored by beavers. Good in naturalistic plantings. Plant named because leaves quake in wind. Bark greenish to white. Subject to canker.



Bark



Fall

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Flower



Leaf



Fruit

Mass