

American Larch  
*Larix laricina*



Mature



Native Range

**General Attributes**

Type	Evergreen Tree
Height	40 - 80 Feet
Spread	25 - 50 Feet
Form	Conical
Utility Lines	Incompatible
Growth Rate	Fast
Life Expectancy	Long
USDA Zone	2 - 6
Root Pattern	Shallow Lateral

**Flowers/Foliage/Fruits**

Flower Color	Purple
Flower Season	Spring
Fruit	Cone
Fruit Color	Tan
Fruit Season	Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter
Summer Texture	Fine
Winter Texture	Coarse
Spring Foliage	Green
Summer Foliage	Green
Fall Foliage	Yellow
Winter Foliage	Not Applicable

**Plant Community**

Sun	Full Sun
Orientation	North, South, East, West
Soil Texture	Sand to Clay
Topography	Upland, Lowland (Stable Water), Wetland
Plant Community	Forest, Bog, Marsh
Succession	Pioneer
Origin	MSA Zone 1, MSA Zone 2, MSA Zone 3, MSA Zone 4, Minnesota, North America

**Soils**

Salt Spray Tolerance	Tolerant
Soil Salt Tolerance	
Compaction Tolerance	Tolerant
Water Table	6 Inches
Drainage	Poor, Moderate
Flood Tolerance	
Drought Tolerance	
Moisture Regime	Dry, Moist, Wet
pH	4.8 through 7.5
Windbreak Group	

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## Planting Ease

Spring Bareroot	Easy
Fall Bareroot	Difficult
Spring Container	Easy
Fall Container	Moderate
Spring Seed	
Fall Seed	

## Maintenance

Formal	Moderate
Informal	Low
2,4-D Tolerance	Sensitive
Dicamba Tolerance	Sensitive
Picloram Tolerance	Sensitive
Clpyralid Tolerance	
Artificial Light	
Sulfur Dioxide	Sensitive
Ozone Tolerance	Sensitive
Hydrogen Flouride	Sensitive
Nitrogen Oxide	

## Pests/Problems

Allergens	males 2, females 2
Invasiveness	Non-Invasive
Toxicity	
Cold Injury	Not Susceptible
Storm Damage	Susceptible
Biological Control	
Mechanical Control	
Chemical Control	

## Miscellaneous

Wildlife Rating	Moderate
Insect Concerns	Major
Disease Concern	Minor
Wildlife Concerns	

## Comments

The species is surprisingly drought tolerant. Less tolerant of cultivation than *L. decidua*. This tree does drop its needles in the winter.



Bark



Dormant

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Fall



Fruit



Leaf