



Prairie Pride Common Hackberry

Celtis occidentalis 'Prairie Pride'

Height: 50 feet

Spread: 40 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Description:

One of the toughest shade trees, maintains an attractive and neat habit of growth; interesting warty bark, looks quite beautiful with age; more resistant to insect problems than the species

Ornamental Features

Prairie Pride Common Hackberry has dark green deciduous foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The pointy leaves turn buttery yellow in fall. The warty gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Prairie Pride Common Hackberry is a deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Prairie Pride Common Hackberry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade

Planting & Growing

Prairie Pride Common Hackberry will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 40 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 7 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.



Prairie Pride Common Hackberry
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This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is an amazingly adaptable plant, tolerating both dry conditions and even some standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.