

# Netleaf / Western / Canyon Hackberry (Common Name)



*Celtis reticulata* (Scientific Name)

## PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 25' – 30' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 24"

Powerline Friendly: 25' – 35' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: 1-3" long. Thick, dark green, and rough above. Yellow and green with slightly hairy veins beneath.

Flowers: 1/8" wide, greenish. Blooms in late winter/early spring.



## ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: Yes, orange-red berries with one seed, mature in fall, often drying and remaining on the tree for months.

Allergenic: Moderate

BVOC Emissions: Low

Sonoran Desert Native: Yes

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Plant in full sun. Tolerant of most soils, including alkaline. Deep irrigation during the summer. Pruning to raise crown is typical.

Ecosystem Services: Native American tribes have eaten the berries from this tree, both fresh and dried. Parts of the tree have been used by native peoples as a source of medicine, fiber, and dye. The Tohono O'odham tribe utilized the bark to craft sandals. The fruits are also a food source for many birds and small mammals.



