



PLANT FACT SHEET

Acer pensylvanicum L.

GENUS *Acer* FAMILY Sapindaceae

COMMON NAMES Striped maple, Moosewood

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Sap

The sap is used to produce sugar.

DESCRIPTION

A tree that loses its leaves. It grows 6 m tall and spreads 3 m wide. The stem is erect and slender. The bark has stripes. The leaves have 3 lobes and are large. They grow opposite each other. The leaves turn yellow in autumn. The seeds are winged.

HABITAT

A temperate plant. It does best in light well-drained soil. It needs a protected sunny position. It is resistant to frost but sensitive to drought.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from ripe seeds.

NOTES

There are about 120-150 *Acer* species.

PICTURES



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