

# Sugarberry / Hackberry

*Celtis laevigata*

**Category:** Deciduous

**Growth Rate:** Rapid

**Adaptability:** Full sun to partial shade

**Shape:** Rounded vase crown

**Size:** 50-70' tall, 30-60' wide

**Wildlife Value:** Larval host plant for several butterfly species, provides fruit for wildlife

**Description:** Great shade tree, resistant to urban pollution. Prefers sandy to clay loam that is moist and well-drained. Can be pruned and kept at shrub size by cutting them to the ground every 2-3 years. The unusual warty bark provides some winter interest. Native Americans were known to use this tree for food, medicines, tools and fuel.

