



## Species: *Elaeagnus angustifolia*

(el-ee-ag'nus an-gus-ti-fo'lee-ah)

### Russian Olive

#### Cultivar Information

An invasive plant with no known sterile varieties, superior fruiting varieties are known in Europe and Asia but not commonly found in the US.

\* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

#### Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 12' - 15'(20') (equal spread)

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: oval-rounded, loose and open

Ornamental Other: prefers sun and open conditions; adaptable to any soil but prefers light, sandy loam; fixes atmospheric nitrogen

#### Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray, Tolerates salty soil

Environmental Other: silvery gray foliage holds late into fall; fruit and flowers not very noticeable among leaves; rich brown, shedding bark, grows best if cut back every few years and coppiced.

#### Insect Disease

susceptible to verticillium wilt

## Bare Root Transplanting

Any

## Other

native to southern Europe and Asia; transplants readily□ weak wooded

## Cultivars for *Elaeagnus angustifolia*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Red King	'Red King' - rust red fruits
Quicksilver	'Quicksilver' (a.k.a. 'Caspica') - possibly a hybrid of <i>E. angustifolia</i> and <i>E. commutata</i> ; superior silver, narrow foliage

## Photos



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Leaves



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Leaves, Flowers



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Fruit



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Habit



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Bark



*Elaeagnus angustifolia* - Leaves





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