



Species: *Betula papyrifera*

(bet'you-lah pap-i-riff'er-ah)

Paper Birch; Canoe Birch; White Birch

Cultivar Information

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 50' - 70' (spread 30' - 60')

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: pyramidal to oval/rounded; single or multi-stem tree

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 3a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to neutral soil (pH 5.0 to 7.4)

Environmental Other: Not drought tolerant.

Insect Disease

Susceptible to bronze birch borer and leaf miners. Renaissance series of cultivars are purportedly less susceptible to Bronze Birch Borer

Bare Root Transplanting

Moderately difficult

Other

Native to North America, Labrador to British Columbia, and northern US; transplants easily B & B

Cultivars for *Betula papyrifera*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Chickadee	'Chickadee' - columnar form; very white bark
Prairie Dream	'Prairie Dream' (a.k.a. 'Varen') - stress tolerant; resistant to birch borer; single or multi-stemmed
Renaissance Oasis	'Renaissance Oasis' (a.k.a. 'Oenci') - most drought tolerant of the Renaissance series; birch borer resistant; juvenile bark reddish-bronze, turning white with age
Renaissance Reflection	'Renaissance Reflection' (a.k.a. 'Renci') - white bark; greater heat tolerance than species; resistant to birch borer
Snowy	'Snowy' - white bark; resistant to borer
Belle Vue	'Belle Vue' - pinkish-brown mature bark; holds fall foliage late
St. George	'St. George' - particularly fast growing; bark turns pinkish with age

Photos



Betula papyrifera - Bark



Betula papyrifera - Catkins



Betula papyrifera - Habit, Fall Interest



Betula papyrifera - Leaves, Fall Interest



Betula papyrifera - Habit



Betula papyrifera - Habit, Fall Interest



Betula papyrifera - Catkins



Betula papyrifera - Bark



Betula papyrifera - Bud