



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



Eleaagnus angustifolia - Bark



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