

# Look UP Maine!

This **ASH TREE** gives back



worth of environmental benefits  
**EVERY YEAR.**

All of Maine's ash trees could be lost to the  
tree killing pest, **Emerald Ash Borer.**

## YOU CAN HELP

- ➔ Know the pest
- ➔ Stop the spread, **don't move firewood**
- ➔ Look UP to look out for the pest



Learn more and report at:

[www.maine.gov/eab](http://www.maine.gov/eab)



# Signs of EAB Infestation



The emerald ash borer is a very small insect (see how it fits on the head of a penny). Most new infestations are discovered by noticing the signs - not the insect.

On ash trees, look for a combination of these signs. From a distance, woodpecker flecking ("blonding") may be noticed first...



woodpecker activity



bark splitting



serpentine galleries under bark



D-shaped exit holes



crown decline



epicormic growth

# Identifying Ash (*Fraxinus spp.*)

There are three major ash species in Maine, found in our forests and communities:

- **black** (*F. nigra*), **green** (*F. pennsylvanica*), and **white** (*F. americana*)

Leaves are **compound**, with 5-9 leaflets per stalk



Seeds are **paddle-shaped** and occur in clusters



Branches and buds are **opposite** each other



The bark pattern is often **diamond-shaped** and deeply furrowed



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To learn more about the emerald ash borer, or report a sighting, visit [www.maine.gov/eab](http://www.maine.gov/eab)

