

Persimmon



The American Persimmon tree is an ideal mid-sized yard tree due to its large drooping leaf, appealing, fragrant creamy-yellow flowers (also an excellent nectar source for honeybees), and fruit-bearing potential. The fruit is generally round or oval, orange-yellow in color, and ranges from 2 to 6 cm in diameter.

The American Persimmon tree is tough and adaptable, grows rapidly, and its deep tap root gives it good drought resistance. It can survive in shade, but grows and fruits best in sun. Seedlings planted in good soil and a sunny location can begin fruiting in about 6-8 years.

Characteristics

- **Growth Rate:** Moderate
- **General Type:** Tree
- **Growth Period:** Spring, Summer
- **Growth Duration:** Perennial
- **Lifespan:** Long
- **Plant Nativity:** Native to U.S.
- **Bloom Period:** Late spring
- **Displays Fall Colors:** Yes
- **Drought Tolerance:** Low
- **Shade Tolerance:** Tolerant
- **Height When Mature:** 55'
- **Flower Color:** Yellow
- **Moisture Requirements:** Medium