

A. Waldbart and Sons Nursery

Nyssa sylvatica

Black Tupelo, Blackgum

Zone: 4-9

Height: 30'-50'

Width: 20'-30'

Crown: Oval to pyramidal
Growth Rate: Slow
Flower: Insignificant, fragrant
Fall Color: Red, orange, purple
Fruit: Blake drupe, bird food
Soil: Clay, loam, sand
pH: Acid
Drainage: Likes water
Drought: High tolerance
Roots: Not a problem



This member of the Dogwood Family is famous in the south for the honey bees produce from it's nectar. Found generally in wet, acid soils, it can grow to 100' tall. In spring the inconspicuous white flower has an powerful sweet fragrance.