#### Scientific name: Ailanthus altissma

### Common name: Tree of Heaven, Stinking Sumac, Paradise tree

### Family: Simaroubaceae

## Native Range: Taiwan and China, hardy to USDA Zone 4

Habit: Grows between 60ft-90ft and can grow around 25ft in a single year. Bark is smooth and tan to gray in early growth, with age the bark will become rugged with heart shaped leaf scars. The leaves are pinnately compound and range from 1-3ft in length with 10 to 41 leaflets with teeth at the base.



# Juglans nigra

## **Black Walnut**





## Rhus glabra

## Smooth Sumac

Serrated leaf margins all the way around the leaflet, often less than 31 leaflets . Sumacs often have lenticels or gas exchange pores along the bark. Conical fruit in the fall that will hang around until winter.







*Toxicodendron vernicifluum* or *Rhus verniciflua* 

## Varnish Tree

Related to poison ivy, extremely irritating on the skin. Ovate leaflets and no serration, anywhere from 7-19 in quantity.

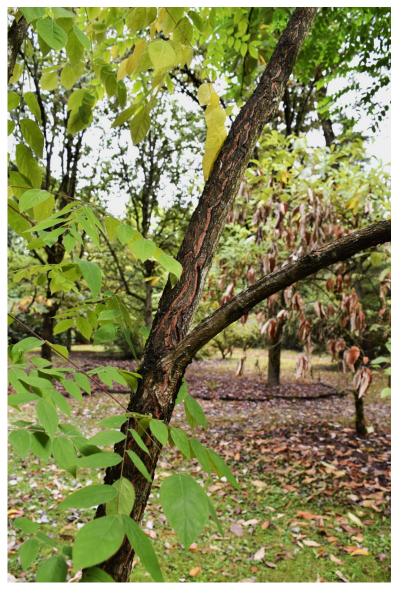
Flowers around July and seeds from September to November.

#### Gymnocladus dioicus

#### Kentucky Coffee Tree

Bark in the winter can look like *Ailanthus altissima*, and branch angles are narrow similar to *A. altissima*. With leaves, it's easier to distinguish as it has many more leaflets branching off the trunk. As a member of the *Fabaceae* family it's seed pods look like peas.





## Decaisnea fargesii

#### Dead Man's fingers or Blue Sausage Tree/Fruit

Around 15-25ft tall at maturity, up to 25 rounded leaflets Very distinguishable by its fruit a yellow-green to dark blue pod containing shiny black seeds.



