Black Hickory

(aka Texas Hickory) (Carya texana)



There are a number of hickory trees that grow in various parts of Texas but the most common one here in Gonzales County is the Black Hickory. The nuts develop in a husk which usually falls away from the nut when it drops from the tree in the early fall. The meat of the nut is edible if you are hungry enough to fight the tough nut and it is a favorite with nut eating wild life. It is a close relative of the Pecan and the Black Hickory.

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