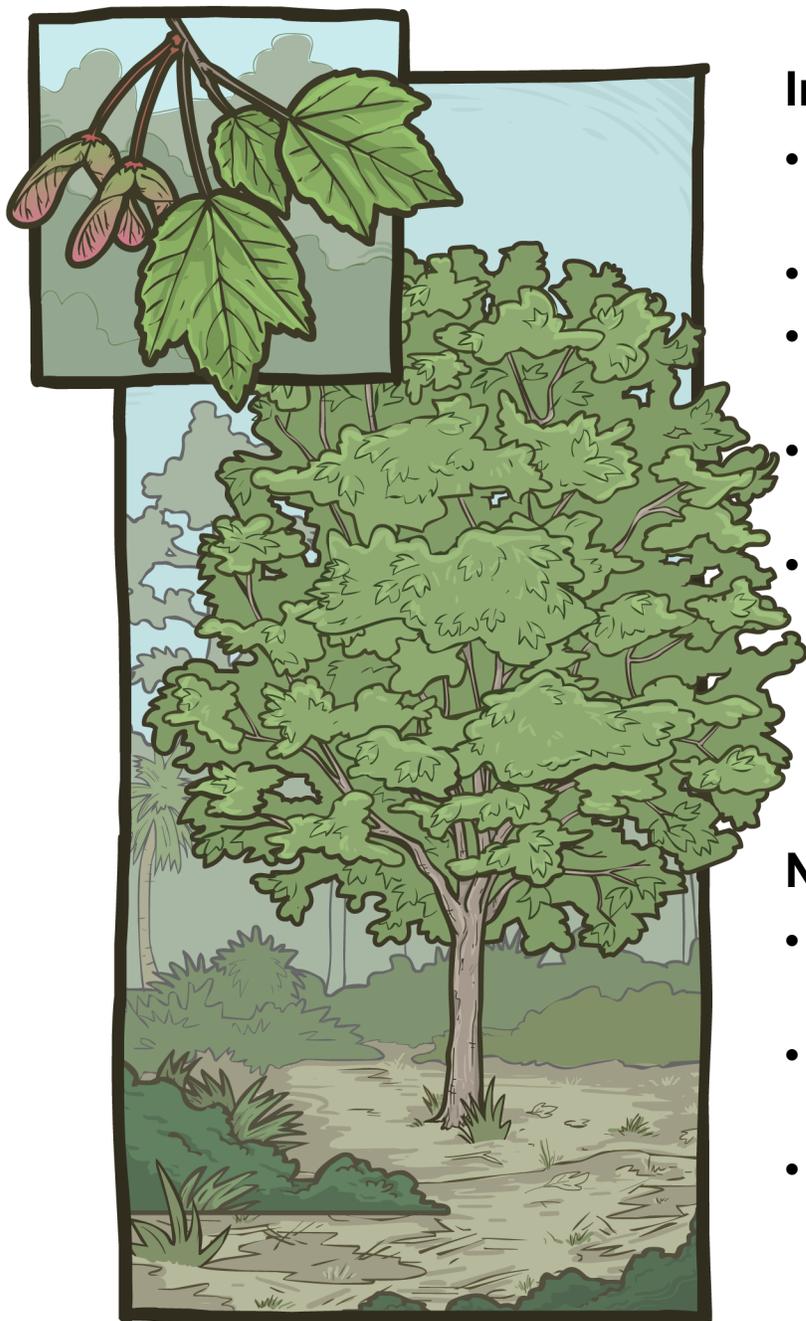


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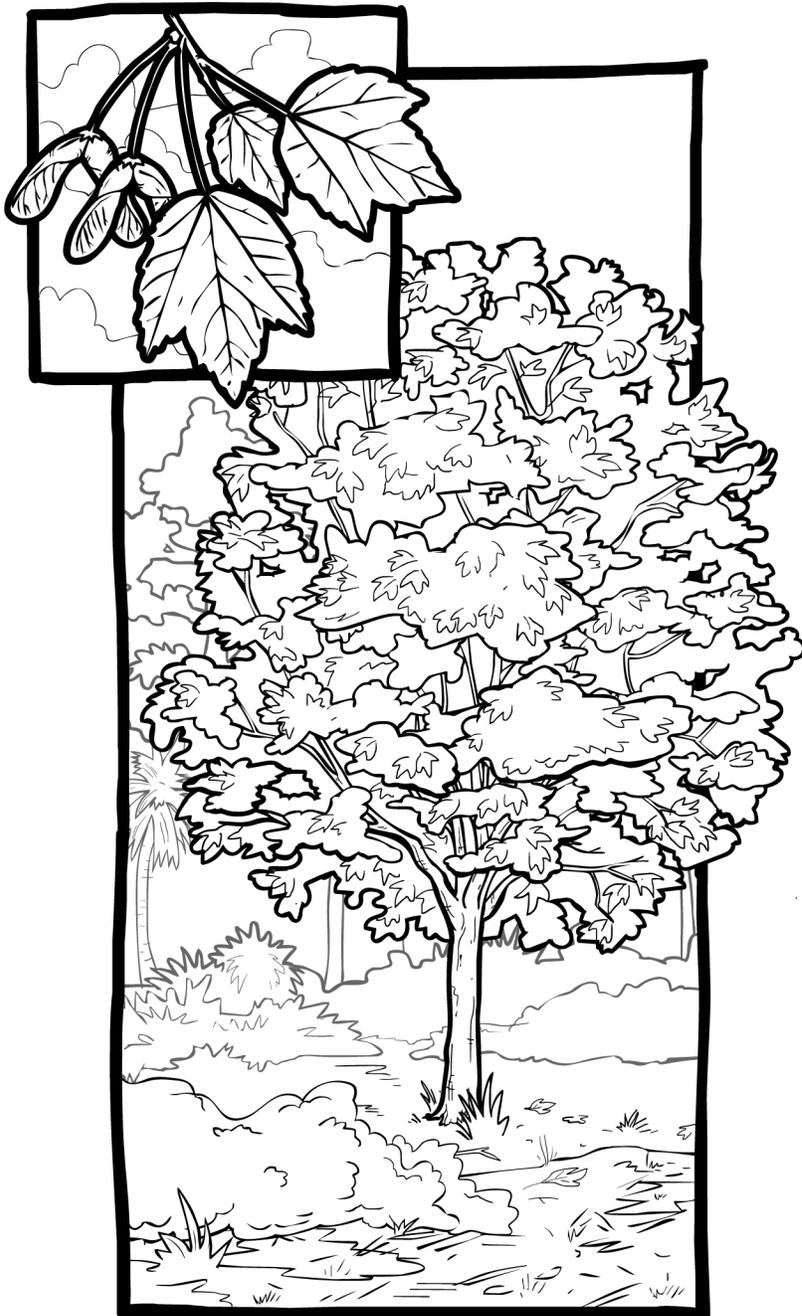
- Oval-shaped tree that changes color in the fall
- Can grow up to 75 feet tall
- Leaves turn red, orange, yellow and purple
- Clusters of flowers are red or pink
- Dry fruit attracts squirrels

## Native Niches

- Most common in swamps with other hardwoods
- Found along the eastern coast of North America
- Can live in altitudes up to 6,000 feet



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## Plant Particulars

- Large surface roots can raise sidewalks
- Resistant to multiple pests and diseases
- One of the first trees to change color in fall
- Prescribed fire can be used to prevent the maple from dominating broad-leaf forests
- Tannin extracted from tree was once used to dye hats and shoes

## Population Protection

- Prescribed fire is a safe way to apply a natural process, ensure ecosystem health and reduce wildfire risk
- Planting a red maple is a great way to provide shelter and food for native wildlife

