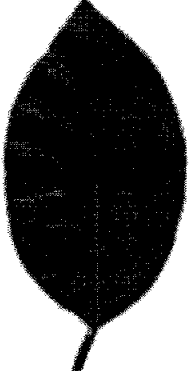


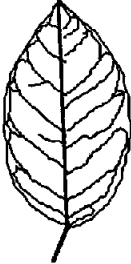
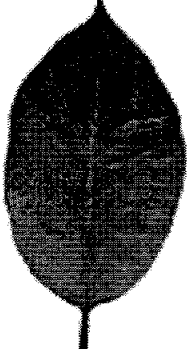
Leaves of trees & shrubs

Oval with **point at tip**





Pond Apple

- tree
- leaves V up from midvein (not flat)
- dark green & semi-glossy
- leaves drop in cold/freeze
- found in pond cypress areas


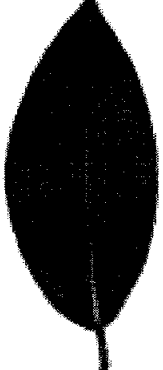
Button Bush

- shrub
- reddish stems
- large leaves
- lighter green
- leaves shiny
- plant dies back in late fall and winter
- found in sunnier areas in cypress forest


Red Bay

- tree
- aromatic when crushed
- medium green on top, light green on underside
- galls frequently on leaves
- found among bald cypress

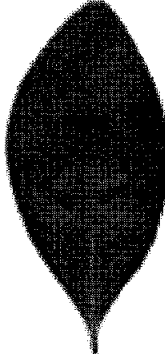



Strangler Fig

- tree
- tips of branches have "point"
- fruit grows directly on branch
- underside of leaf has visible textured pattern between veins
- found among bald cypress

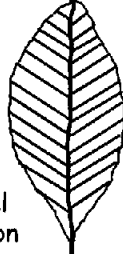



Oval with more **rounded tip**




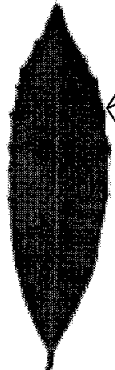
Myrsine

- tree
- fruit, flowers grow directly on branches
- veins on leaf close to parallel
- medium green on top, lighter on underside
- found in pond and bald cypress



Live Oak

- tree
- small medium green leaf, fairly stiff
- lighter on undersides
- found in drier areas (in front of Parker Library and behind Plume Hunter shelter)


Dahoon Holly

- tree
- small points along leaf edges on close look
- bright red berries
- berries and flowers directly on branch
- found in cypress areas and at north lake

Primrose Willow

- shrub
- leaves run all the way up the trunk
- light green leaves, large yellow blooms
- found in sunny areas in wet prairie and on tussocks in lettuce lakes
- pointed tip, but no more room in other column



Leaves of trees & shrubs

Almost Oval



Coastal Plain Willow

- tree
- fine, evenly spaced serrations (points) along entire leaf edge
- likes to grow in full sun
- leaf more elongated than Virginia Willow



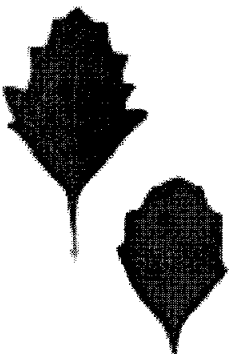
Virginia Willow

- small tree/large shrub
- uneven serrations along entire leaf edge (some longer than others)
- likes to grow in shadier (swamp) areas
- leaf wider than Coastal Plain Willow



Wax Myrtle

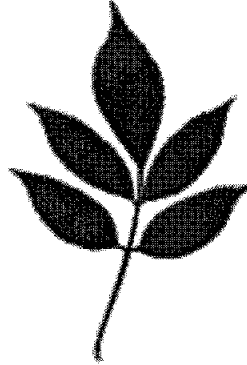
- small tree/large shrub
- grows anywhere it can find dry ground and a little light - most common in pine upland
- degree of "cuts" in leaf may vary - some leaves appear almost smoothly oval



Groundsel

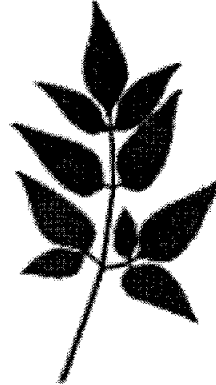
- shrub
- grows in full sun in pine or pine/wet prairie edge
- small flowers but noticeable white fluffy seed clusters
- leaf patterns may vary as outlines illustrate

Compound



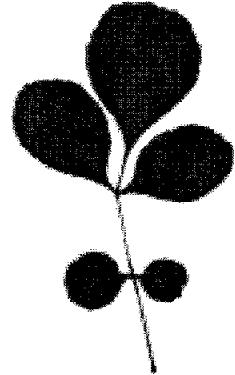
Elderberry

- shrub-like
- woody, tree-like trunk
- found in open areas
- vine-like when growing among other plants



Water Hemlock

- shrub-like
- likes shadier areas
- leaf edges roughly serrated
- trunk succulent like large celery stalk
- bottom leaflets branch into two's and three's



Pop Ash

- tree
- older growth may have more than 5 leaflets and tips may be pointed
- new growth may not have bottom two leaflets
- found in bald cypress areas

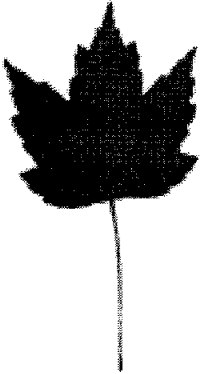


Winged Sumac

- shrub
- grows in sunny areas in pine upland among saw palmettos
- name "winged" from leaf-like growths out from rachis (leaf stem)
- distinguished from Brazilian Pepper by having more than 7 leaflets
- turns bright red in fall

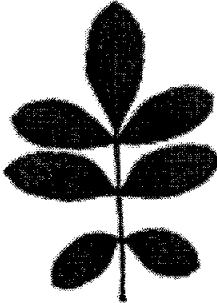
Leaves of trees & shrubs

Other shapes



- Red Maple**
- tree
 - stems of new growth red
 - leaves don't turn red unless frost/freeze
 - leaf shape and size will vary even on the same branch

Nasty Things



- Brazilian Pepper**
- small tree/large shrub
 - member of cashew family as is Poison Ivy
 - leaves usually with 7 leaflets, each coarsely serrated on edge
 - dark green on top
 - veins light in color and clearly visible



- Melaleuca**
- tree
 - leaf thin but stiff like cardboard
 - leaves aromatic
 - tree columnar with light whitish-tan paper-like bark
 - dark green on top, lighter on underside



- Java Plum**
- small tree
 - large, wide glossy leaves
 - leaves opposite up stem
 - midvein is light green, sticks up on leaf underside
 - stays green, most noticeable when deciduous trees drop leaves

