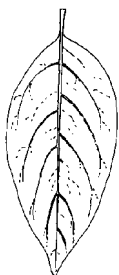


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The leaf is simple and smooth edged, from 2-6 inches long, with a long pointed tip. It is dark green above and whitish-green on the underside.

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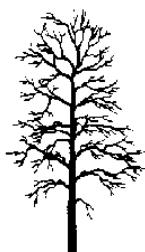
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Most recognizable for its bark which is dark brown or even black, very deeply furrowed into small square alligator-skin blocks. The fruit is 1-2 inches, somewhat flattened orange berry which turns purple to brown.

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The persimmon tree grows straight and nearly columnar with dense, angular branching. The crotch of its branches is a noted resting spot for possums in the South.

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The word "persimmon" is of Algonquin origin, while the Latin name "Diospyros" means "fruit of the gods." The orange pulp of the fruit is sweet enough for puddings, cakes and breads.

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