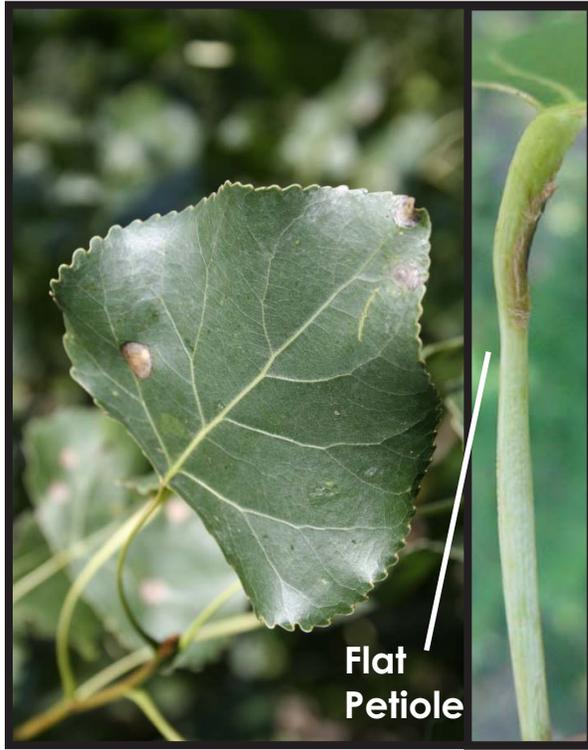


Eastern cottonwood

Populus deltoides

Minnesota C-Value: 1
Wetland Indicator Status: FAC+
Native



Leaves: Shiny green, triangular shaped leaf with curved, coarse teeth. Petioles flattened with 2-3 glands usually present at tip of petiole under leaf base. Leaf buds sticky in the spring.

Flowers and fruit: Flower is a catkin with numerous pods that open to release a windborn, fluffy white seed.

Stems: 60 ft- 80 ft tall. Trunk can be more than 6 ft in diameter; forked and spreading to an open crown. Bark is deeply furrowed.

Plant communities: Early colonizer of floodplains, streambanks, wetland edges and uplands.

Comments: Similar to many other poplars, but only the Eastern cottonwood has glands on the ends of the leafstalks.

