

Ohio Buckeye



When ripe, each buck-eye turns a handsome shiny dark mahogany brown with a light tan eye. Since colonial times, buckeyes have been carried by many



Aesculus glabra

- **Use:** It works well in remote or more naturalized areas of a landscape or in a woodland garden. Native from western Pennsylvania to Iowa south to Alabama and Arkansas. Native Americans reportedly called the fruit of this tree “hetuck” meaning eye-of-the-buck in reference to the supposed resemblance of the shiny dark mahogany brown fruit to the eye of a buck deer. The common name of buckeye evolved therefrom.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun–shade. will thrive in multiple soils and once established is drought-tolerant
- **Growth:** Grows typically grows 20-40’ (less frequently to 75’ over many decades).
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3a-7b ; Tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Leaves mature to dark green in summer. Shows a variable amount of fall color due to differences in seedlings but are most typically yellow with some oranges and red. It has corky gray bark.
- **Flower:** Greenish-yellow flowers (to 1” long) appear in clusters in mid-spring. The flowers, bark, and stems, have an unpleasant odor when crushed, hence the sometimes common name of fetid buckeye.

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