

## Betula nigra 'Cully'

## 'Heritage'® River Birch

Zone: 4-9

Height: 40'

Width: 30'

Crown: Upright, pyramidal, oval

Growth Rate: Fast

Soil: Clay, loam, sand

pH: Acidic

Drought: Moderate

Drainage: Well drained, flooding

Breakage: Resistant

Ozone: Tolerant



In appearance, 'Heritage'® Birch is very similar to the species and the other cultivars. It tolerates heat in the south, but will need a regular deep watering. This tree will take low soil oxygen conditions so it does well in urban soils.

It may decline eventually, however, usually because of too wet or too dry a soil. We offer 'Heritage'® both as multi-stem trees or as single whips which may be planted together in a clump. We also offer 'Heritage'® as a multi-stem #3 Grow Ready™ liner. One problem with planting three trees together for a clump is that the vigor of the three trees will not match, and one or two will outgrow the others. These are hard to sell. With a multi, if one stem starts to outgrow the others, you can just prune it back to let the others catch up. These multi's are best pruned back to 5 or 3 main stems. Staking these stems to make them straight makes the tree look very unnatural. Its best to just let them grow willy-nilly. It's a great look as the tree ages.

