# Alnus incana

# (Thinleaf Alder)

Alnus incana is a deciduous tree native to Europe and the Caucasus. It has a smooth gray bark that gives it an interest in winter. During bloom time, catkin flowers form on branches before the leaves. The leaves have a hairy underside and a medium to dark top side. The tree is very cold tolerant and has moderate tolerance for drought.



#### Landscape Information

French Name: Aulne blancArabic Name: جار الماء الابيضPronounciation: AL-nus in-CAY-nahPlant Type: TreeOrigin: Europe, CaucasusHeat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6Hardiness Zones: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6Uses: Screen, Shade, Windbreak, StreetSize/ShapeGrowth Rate: ModerateTree Shape: PyramidalCanopy Symmetry: IrregularCanopy Density: MediumHeight at Maturity: 8 to 15 m, 15 to 23 m

Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters, 5 to 8 meters

Plant Image

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Flower Image

#### **Botanical Description**

#### Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate Leaf Venation: Pinnate Leaf Persistance: Deciduous Leaf Type: Simple Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm Leaf Shape: Ovate Leaf Margins: Serrate Leaf Textures: Hairy Leaf Scent: No Fragance Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green, Brown

## **Flower**

Flower Showiness: False Flower Size Range: 0 - 1.5 Flower Type: Catkin Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual) Flower Scent: No Fragance Flower Color: Orange, Brown Seasons: Spring

### Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage Number of Trunks: Single Trunk Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy, Smooth Fruit Fruit Type: Nut Fruit Showiness: True Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

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Leaf Image

#### Horticulture Management

## Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes Heat Tolerant: No Drought Tolerant: Yes Salt Tolerance: Poor

## **Requirements**

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline Water Requirements: Moderate Light Requirements: Full, Part

#### Management

Invasive Potential: No Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No Diseases: Powdery Mildew Edible Parts: None Pests: Mites, Caterpillars, Aphids, Beetles, Lace bug Plant Propagations: Seed

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