

**PURPOSE:** Thank you for submitting a sample for identification. This form provides critical information for TACF to record, map, and analyze American chestnut across their native range. We appreciate your interest and participation!

#### SAMPLE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Collect 6-12" of twig and mature leaves growing in full sun.
- Press sample flat between sheets of cardboard.
- Use a single paper towel between the sample and cardboard to cushion and absorb moisture.
- Mail pressed sample and this form in a large envelope.
- Do not wrap in plastic, as samples will mold in the mail.
- Do not ship overnight. This is not necessary as we cannot ID your sample right away.

**RESULT:** An analysis of the macro and microscopic characteristics of the leaf and twig sample will be completed by a TACF identification expert. Results and responses may take at least 4-8 weeks.



Use TreeSnap to document tree location  
[TreeSnap.org](https://www.treesnap.org)

# TREE LOCATOR FORM



## Location

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Latitude (N) \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred format = decimal degrees (DD.DDDD, -DD.DDDD)

TreeSnap ID (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**Location information is crucial.** The closer you can get us to a tree with your directions, the better. Lat/Long measurements are best.

- You may obtain location information from [Google Maps](https://www.google.com/maps). Right click location and lat/long appears at top in decimal degrees
- If you can't obtain Lat/Long measurements, then please attach a map and/or directions to the tree from the nearest road.

## Tree Information

Size: Diameter (Inches @ 4.5' from ground)  Height (feet)

# of Trees: Isolated Tree?  Clump of Trees (number)

Area with many sprouts/trees (acres)

Nuts (Burs): ☐ None ☐ Few ☐ Many ☐ Unknown

Flowers (Catkins): ☐ Present ☐ Absent ☐ Unknown

Surroundings: ☐ Full Sun ☐ Partial Shade ☐ Full Shade

Blight: ☐ Not Visible ☐ Visible Sunken Canker ☐ Visible Swollen Canker

## Owner of Property

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Form Submitted By

Name: \_\_\_\_\_





Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## WHERE TO SEND SAMPLES





### NEW ENGLAND REGION

-  Connecticut
-  Maine
-  Massachusetts/Rhode Island
-  Vermont/New Hampshire

#### Lake Graboski

**New England RSC c/o North Central Regional Science Coordinator**  
Pennsylvania State University  
108 Research Unit A Modular Lab Facility  
118 Serviceberry Road  
University Park, PA 16802

### NORTH CENTRAL REGION

-  Indiana
-  New York
-  Ohio
-  Pennsylvania/New Jersey

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### MID-ATLANTIC REGION

-  Kentucky
-  Maryland
-  Virginia
-  West Virginia

#### Samples from KY, VA, WV:

##### Cassie Stark





**Mid-Atlantic Regional Science Coordinator**  
Virginia Department of Forestry Central Office  
900 Natural Resources Drive, Suite 800  
Charlottesville, VA 22903

#### Samples from MD:

##### Gary P. Carver

**Volunteer ID Specialist**  
3501 Big Wood Road  
Ijamsville, MD 21754-9412

### SOUTHERN REGION

-  Alabama
-  Georgia
-  North Carolina/South Carolina
-  Tennessee

#### Samples from AL, NC, SC, TN:

##### Jamie VanClief

**Southern Regional Science Coordinator**  
50 N. Merrimon Avenue, Suite 115  
Asheville, NC 28804

#### Samples from GA:

##### Marty Cipollini

**Volunteer ID Specialist**  
Berry College, Dept. of Biology  
2277 Martha Berry Highway  
Mount Berry, GA 30149

Visit the following link for  
more information:

[tacf.org/identification](https://tacf.org/identification)

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#### All other U.S. Samples:

Tree Identification  
Meadowview Research Farms  
29010 Hawthorne Drive  
Meadowview, VA 24361



Chinese  
chestnut



Japanese  
chestnut



American  
chestnut



European  
chestnut



Allegheny  
chinquapin