Traditional Plant Uses of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin



Black Ash

Fraxinus nigra

Kookjakąnąk

Kookjakąnąk hi'ųire anąga nąąpą ųųire. Nąąra gixoro pįį anąga waxoro serecra ruusiraną.

Black Ash is used for basket splits. The tree's growth rings do not have connecting fibers, which allows for peeling wood in long strips.



Black Ash trees grow in cold, wet habitats throughout Wisconsin.

Black Ash Fruit Bowl

Made by Ho-Chunk Nation Basket Maker Kimberly Crowley



IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER: This information is for educational purposes only. Do not consume or otherwise introduce wild plants to the body without an expert's advice. Plant identification can be tricky, and some plants contain chemical compounds we now know to be harmful. If suffering from one of the ailments mentioned here, please see a licensed health care professional.

The Capital Springs Recreation Area is the ancestral homeland of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin.

