



Staking and tying are two of the most important jobs of growing trees. It is hand labor, one tree at a time, but it is absolutely essential to grow quality. Multiply this job times hundreds of thousands and you can see what a daunting task this is. We are fortunate to have working for us a fine group of people who are dedicated to doing an outstanding job.

We encourage our customers to communicate with us any problems, ideas or suggestions that may make us better able to supply your needs. We realize that our success is only possible if you continue to be successful. As always, we are all ears.



Wild Burrows - SW Oregon

Cornus kousa Satomi



Tree Notes

Pumping Ironwood



Carpinus caroliniana is a tree with more than its share of common names. It is also a gem that should be used more in the landscape industry. Hardy; moderate sized; sun or shade; summer-fall-winter interest; Why Not?

American Hornbeam is native to most areas in the eastern United States, usually found in deep, rich, well drained bottomland soils. It prefers moisture and will do best in an irrigated situation.

In shade, it grows with an attractive open form, showing off its smooth, fluted gray bark. It is said the bark looks like a muscular arm, therefore

Carpinus caroliniana

American
Hornbeam

Musclewood

Blue Beach

Ironwood

Zone 3-9

Height & Width—20'- 25'

the name. In sun, Musclewood grows very dense, suitable for specimen or hedge.

In the nursery trade this tree has a reputation of being a poor transplanter, but those with experience say it is just slow to recover from the shock. Very few trees are actually lost. Our undercut Musclewood has a superior root system, and has an easier time re-establishing itself after transplanting.

Having such a large native range, Musclewood is highly variable in fall color and hardiness. Mike Yanny of Johnson's Nursery in Menomonee Falls, WI developed a superior

plant. To overcome this variability and slow growth he collected seed from various northern sources and let the resulting trees cross-pollinate. This progeny was very hardy and had double vigor. Also by taking seed from only highly colored parents, he found their seedlings also had great fall color.

Robinson Nursery has been exclusively growing Mike's seedlings since we noticed the obvious difference compared to seedlings from other sources. If you have been disappointed with this plant in the past, try Mike's hybrid.



Fishing Derby

For the second year Robinson Nursery has teamed up with the "See Ya Later" Foundation to hold a fishing derby for children who don't normally get a chance to go fishing.

Rick's pond is full of fat trout ready to pounce on anything that looks like food. The kids

received T-shirts, rode a hay wagon down to the pond, and had a great time fishing. Then they returned to our lunch room for pizza, pop and trophies. A good time was had by all, and as you know, there is nothing more wonderful than 30 kids laughing.

