29 March 2017 Arboretum Wespelaar

Harvard University's Tree Museum: The Legacy and Future of the Arnold Arboretum

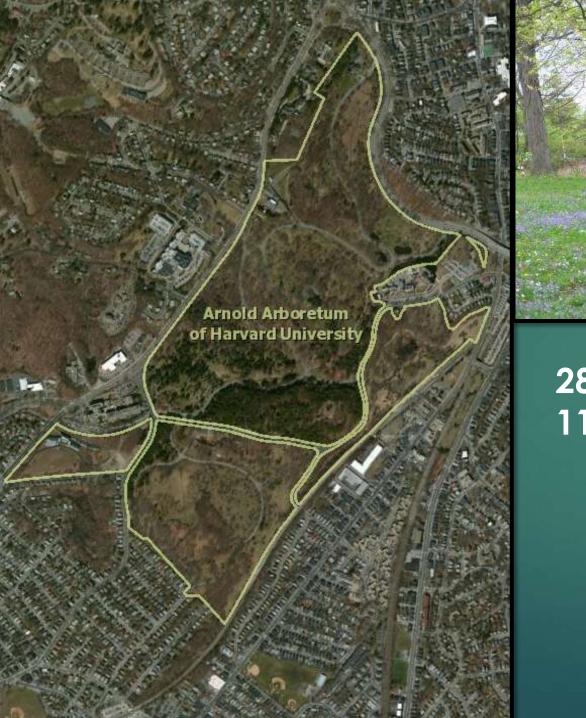
Michael Dosmann, Ph.D. Curator of Living Collections







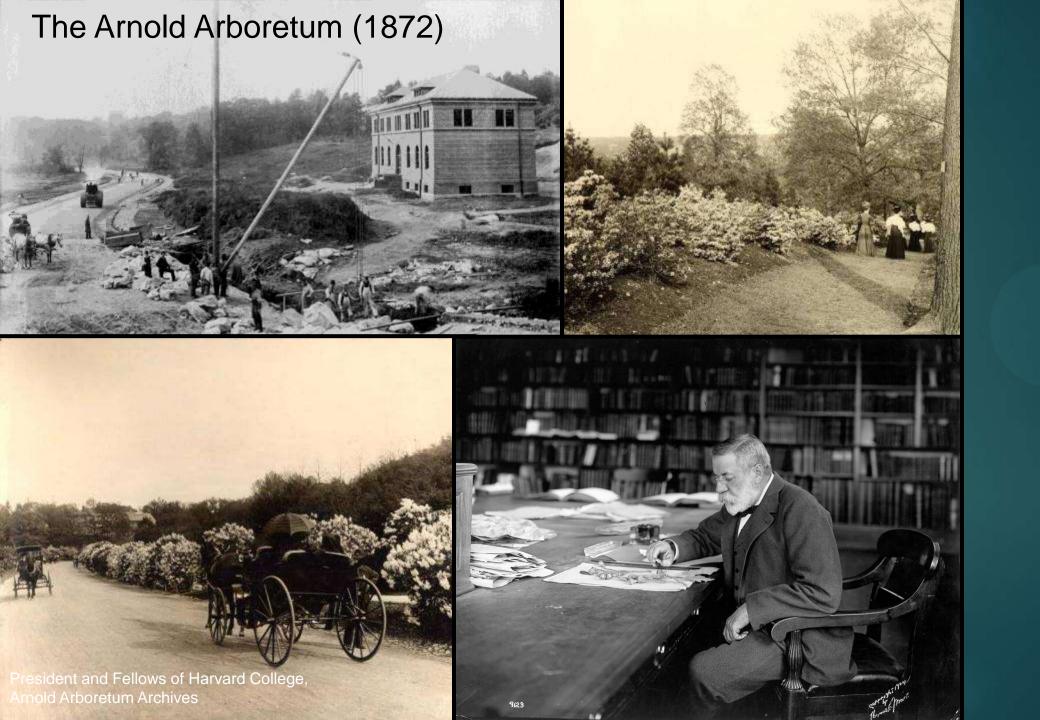






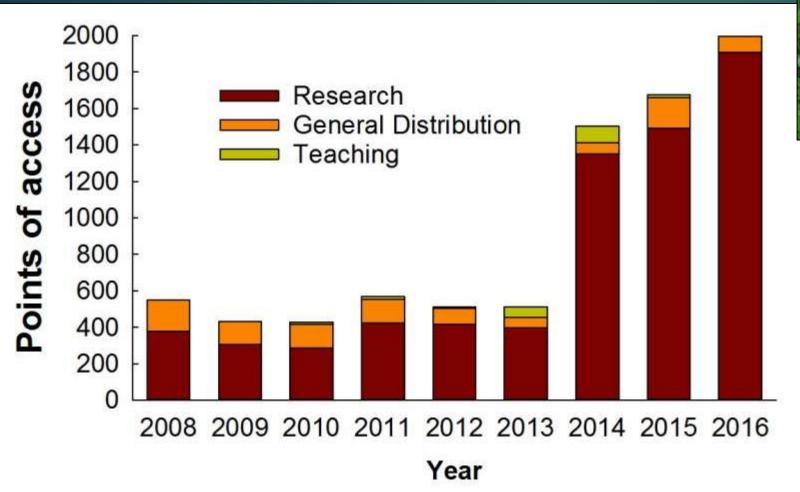
281 Acres / 114 Hectares





Basic to applied biology of woody plants

Collection based

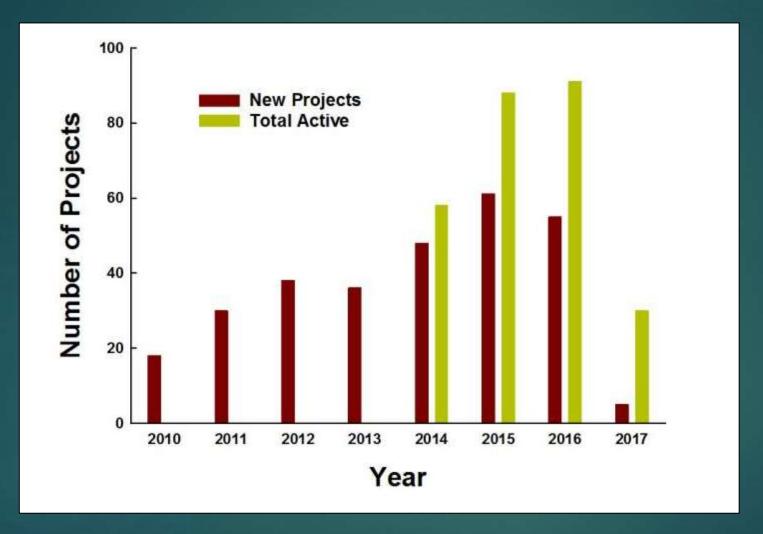




Fagus grandifolia

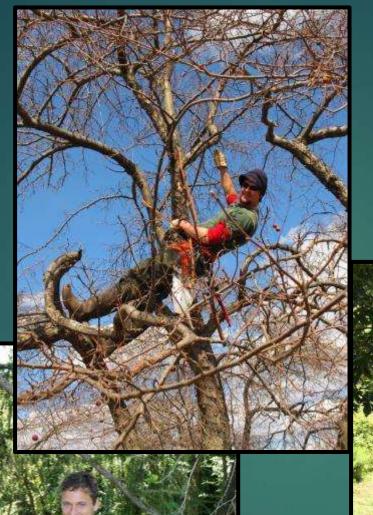
1800+ Uses of research in 2016

Research projects per year



Practice good horticulture





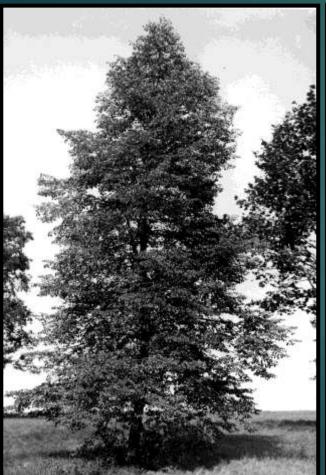
Training and teaching



Evaluation, selection, and introduction

Tilia cordata 'Swedish Upright' Cercidiphyllum japonicum 'Morioka Weeping'

Syringa 'Purple Haze'







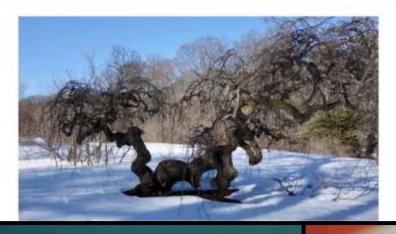
Publication and Promotion

Twisted trees in the Arboretum

by Ned Friedman, Director of the Arnold Arboretum February 27, 2017

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With snow still on the ground, but temperatures rising fast, last Monday I came upon the gnarled and pendulous cultivar of the white mulberry (Morus alba 'pendula' 5165'A) on Bussey Hill - acquired by the Amold Arboretum in 1903, it appeared as some sort of sea serpent (well, snow serpent in this case) emerging from the lower depths. As a follow-up, I decided to scout some of the other wonderful "pendula" or "tortuosa" forms of trees (all of them ultimately derived from natural genetic mutations) on the grounds, especially those with gnaried, twisted, knotted tangles of branches. Two favorites are a small Japanese maple (Acer palmatum 'dissectum' 146-68"A; bottom left) along Meadow Road and a weeping Japanese pagoda tree (Styphnolobium japonicum 'pendula' 493-67*A; bottom right) in the legume collection.



Hamamelidaceae, Part 1: **Exploring the Witch-hazels of** the Arnold Arboretum

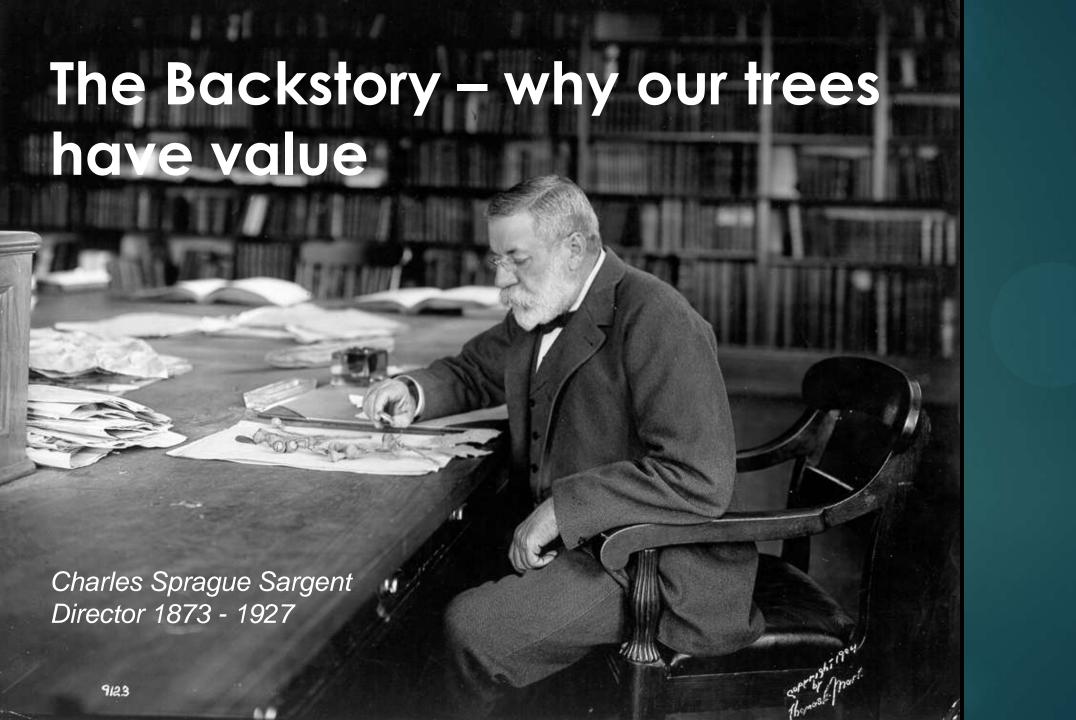
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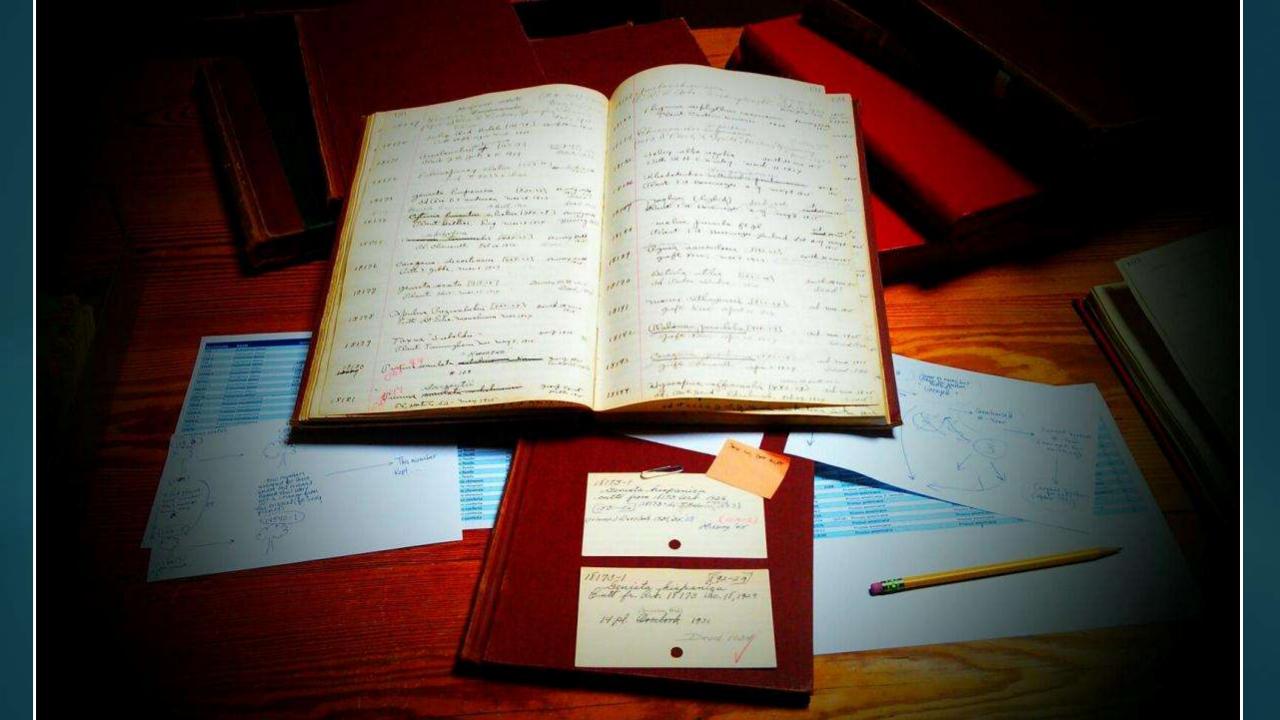
T amamelidaceae, the witch-hazel family, includes approximately 30 genera repreenting around 100 species of deciduous trees and shrubs. Members of the family are found in both temperate and tropical regions of North and Central America, Eastern Asia,

Arnold Arboretum has a rich h family, from plant exploration and introduction of its member The Arboretum's Hamamelida which currently comprises ten to genera, can be found in groups

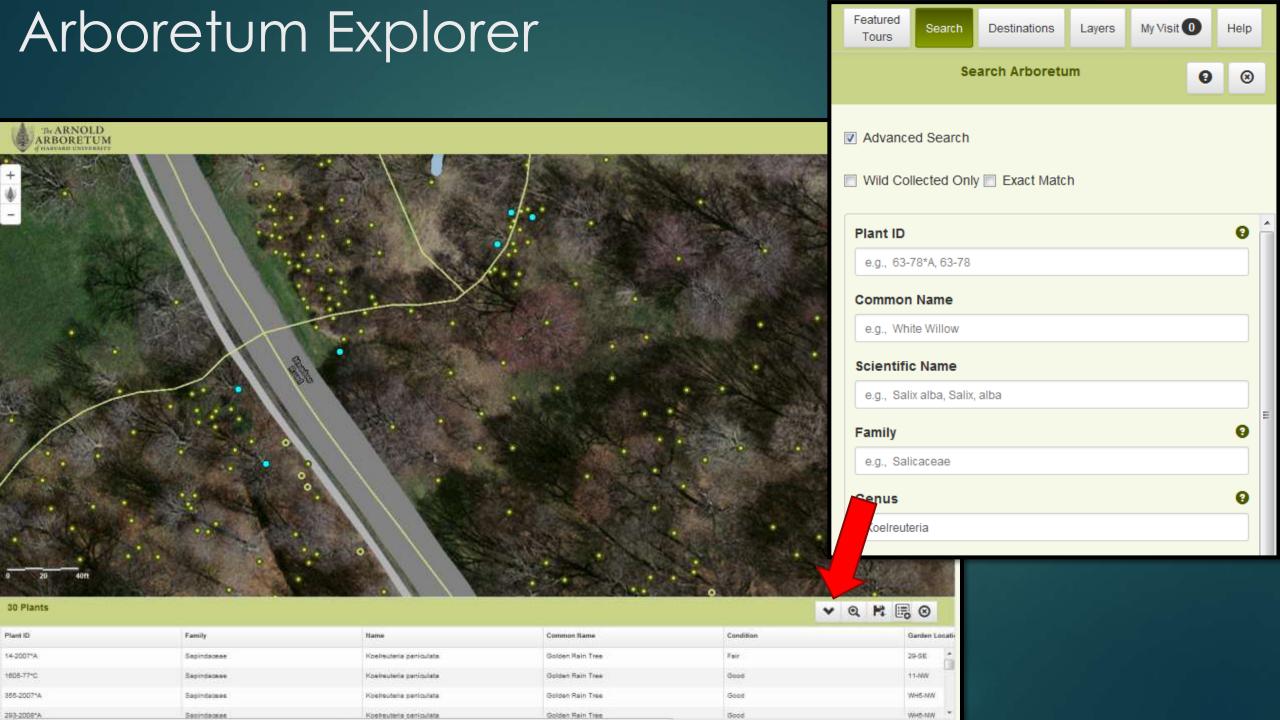


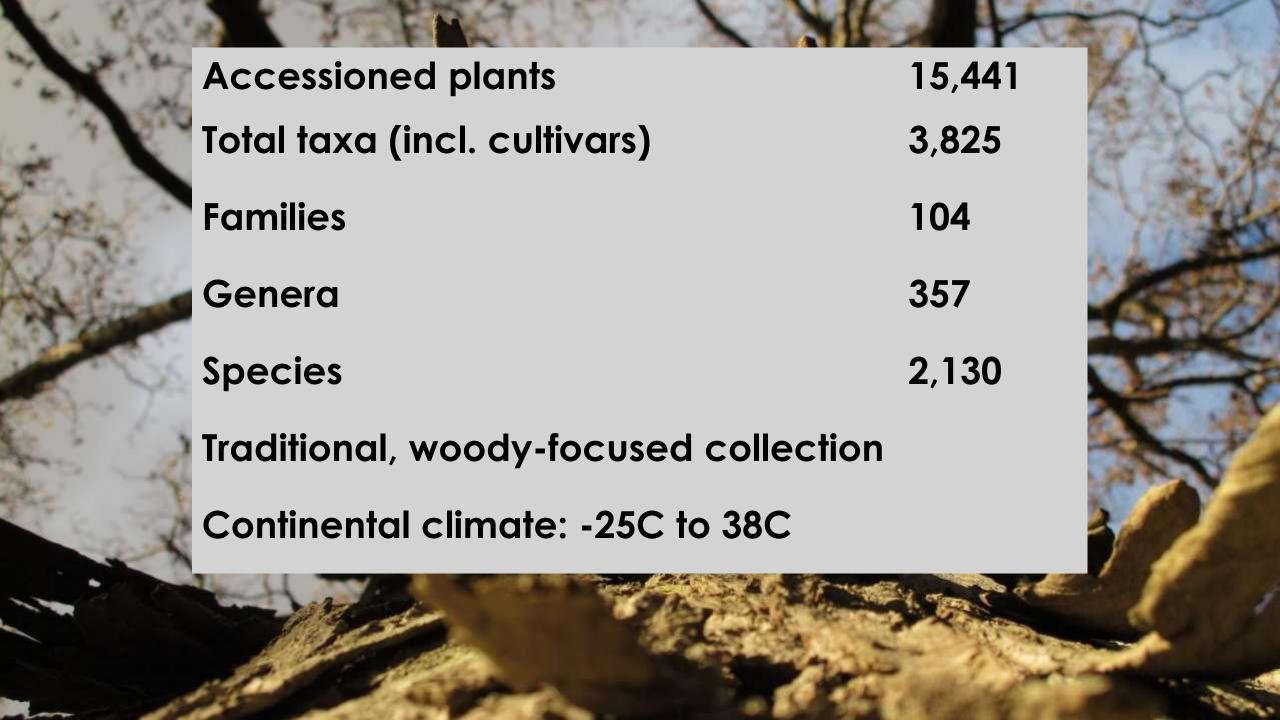
hazels display attractive full color, seen here, Hamanelis a intermedia 'Annald Promise' (accession 380forange foliage and Hamamolis virginisms i. cubescens (accession 527-82) with yellow foliage.











Collection Dynamics

There is always change

121-96*C Hamamelis virginiana 'Mohonk Red'





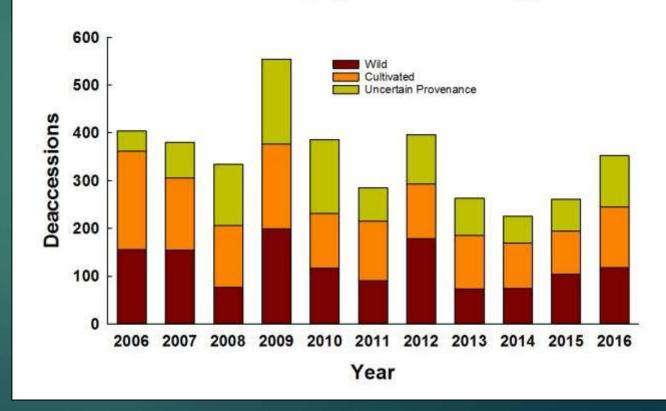


Subtraction – ca 300/per year

After assessment, removal of low-value material benefits high-value accessions

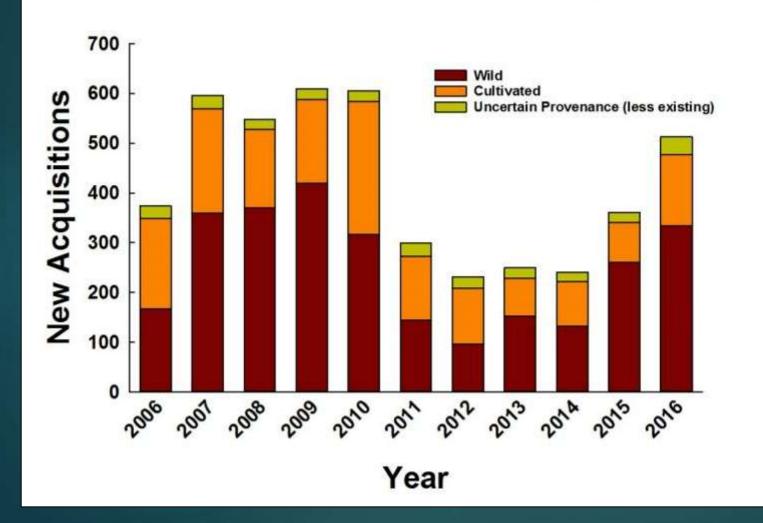


Deaccessions and deaths from the Permanent Collection, by Provenance Type



Addition – ca 450/year

New accessions, by Provenance Type, less existing



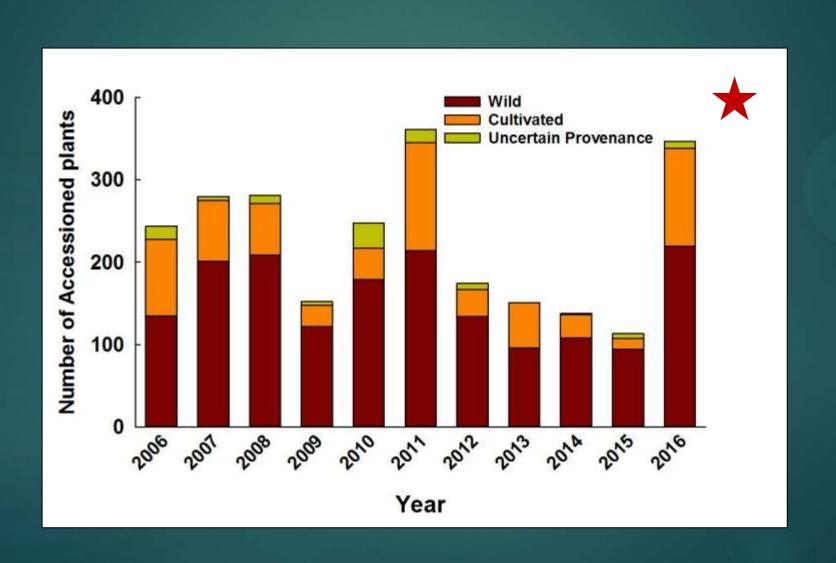


Adding to the Collections

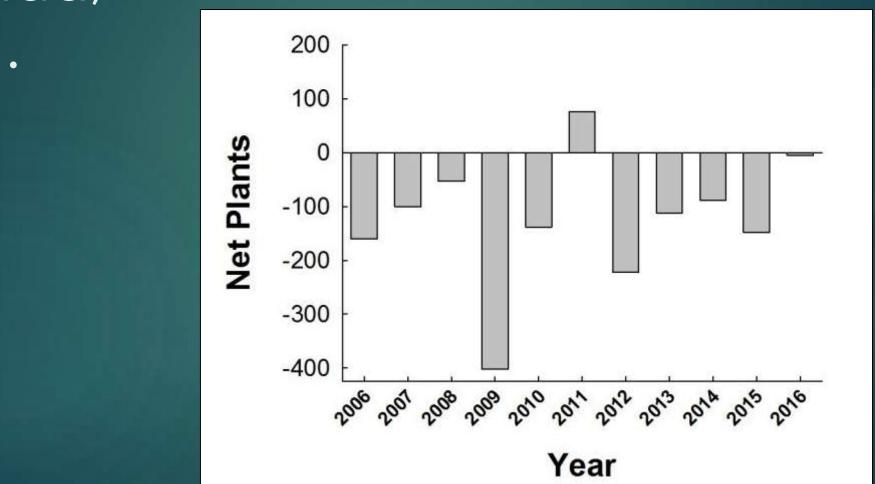


Staking out new Prunus hortulana, from Missouri

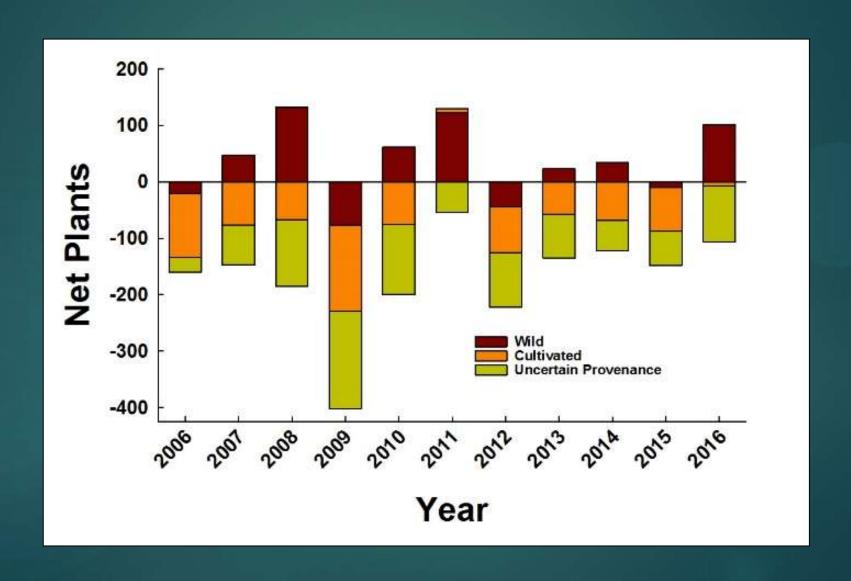
Planting into the Collections



Net Plants – We subtract more than we add,
but...



when taking into account provenance,

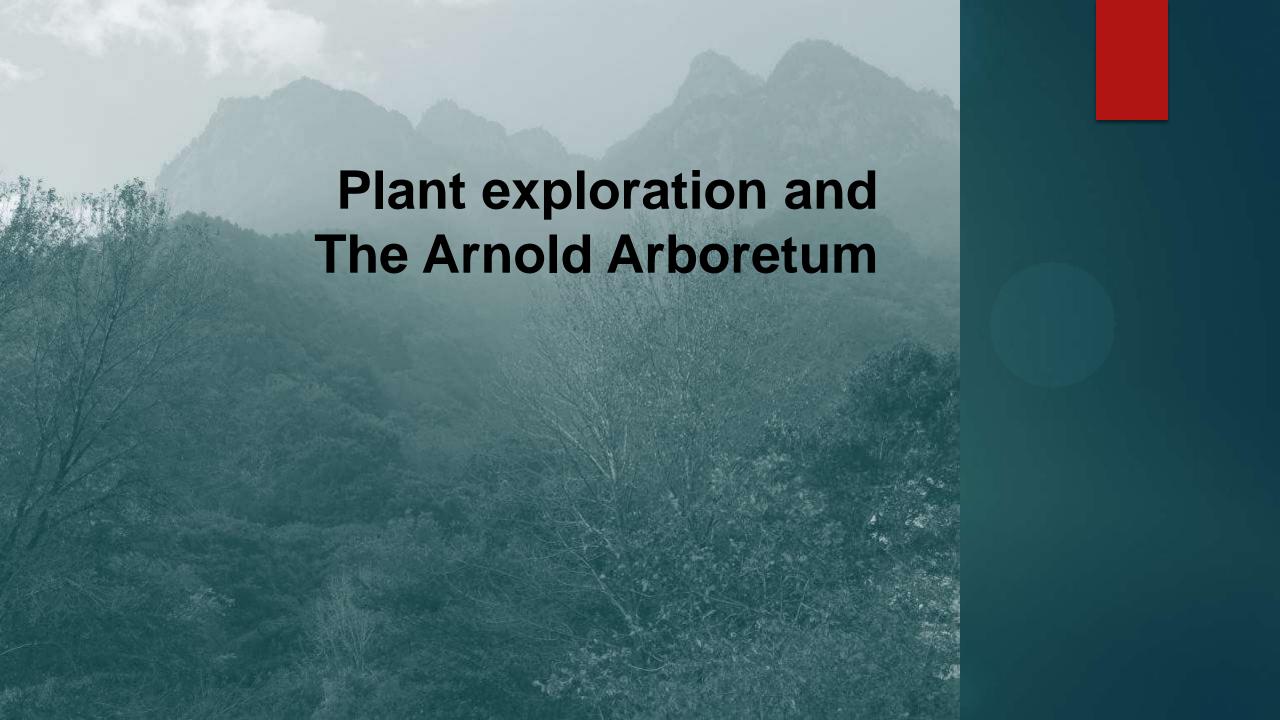


Leads to significant change in the permanent collection over time.



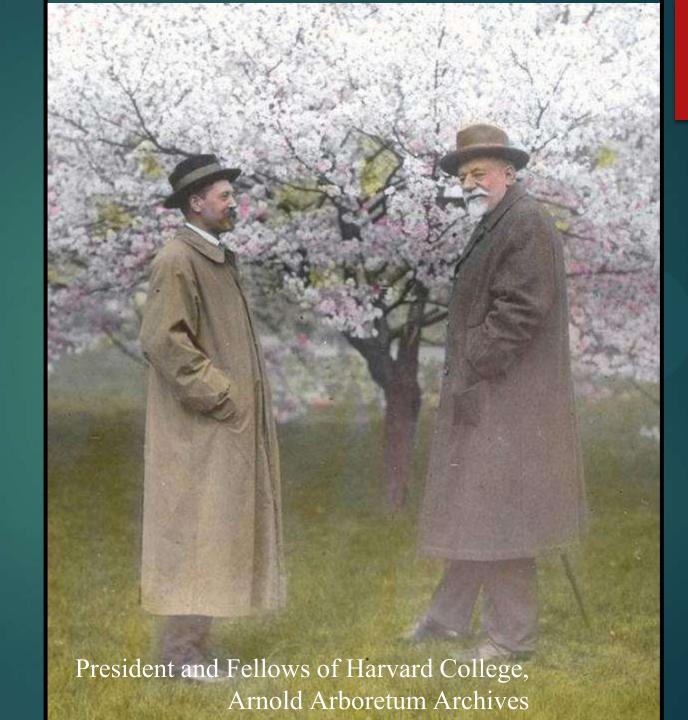
Provenance Type	2007	2016
Wild	40%	45%
Cultivated	41%	38%
Uncertain	19%	17%

126-2005*C Betula lenta



Ernest Henry Wilson expeditions to East Asia

- China
 - 1899-1902 (Veitch)
 - 1903-1905 (Veitch)
 - 1907-1909
 - 1910-1911
- Japan
 - 1914
 - Japan, Korea, Taiwan
 - 1917-1919







Davidia involucrata
var. vilmoriniana
(The Dove Tree)
30 Jan 1909



Acer griseum (paperbark maple)

24 June 1910 Sichuan photo by EHW





PUBLICATIONS OF THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM, No. 4

PLANTAE WILSONIANAE

AN ENUMERATION OF THE WOODY PLANTS
COLLECTED IN WESTERN CHINA FOR THE
ARNOLD ARBORETUM OF HARVARD
UNIVERSITY DURING THE YEARS
1907, 1908, AND 1910
BY E. H. WILSON

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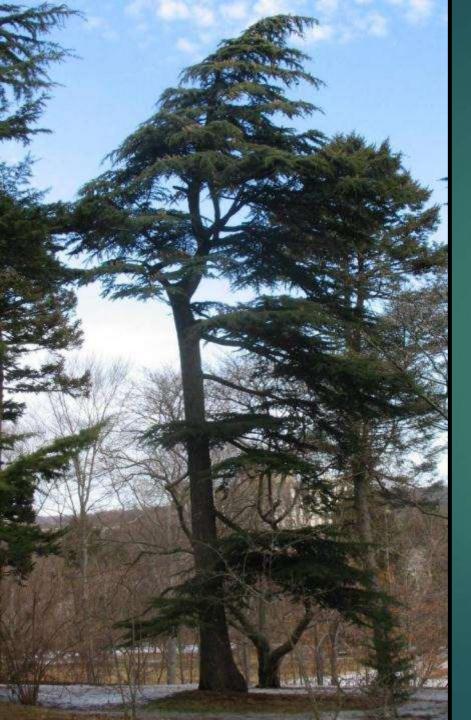
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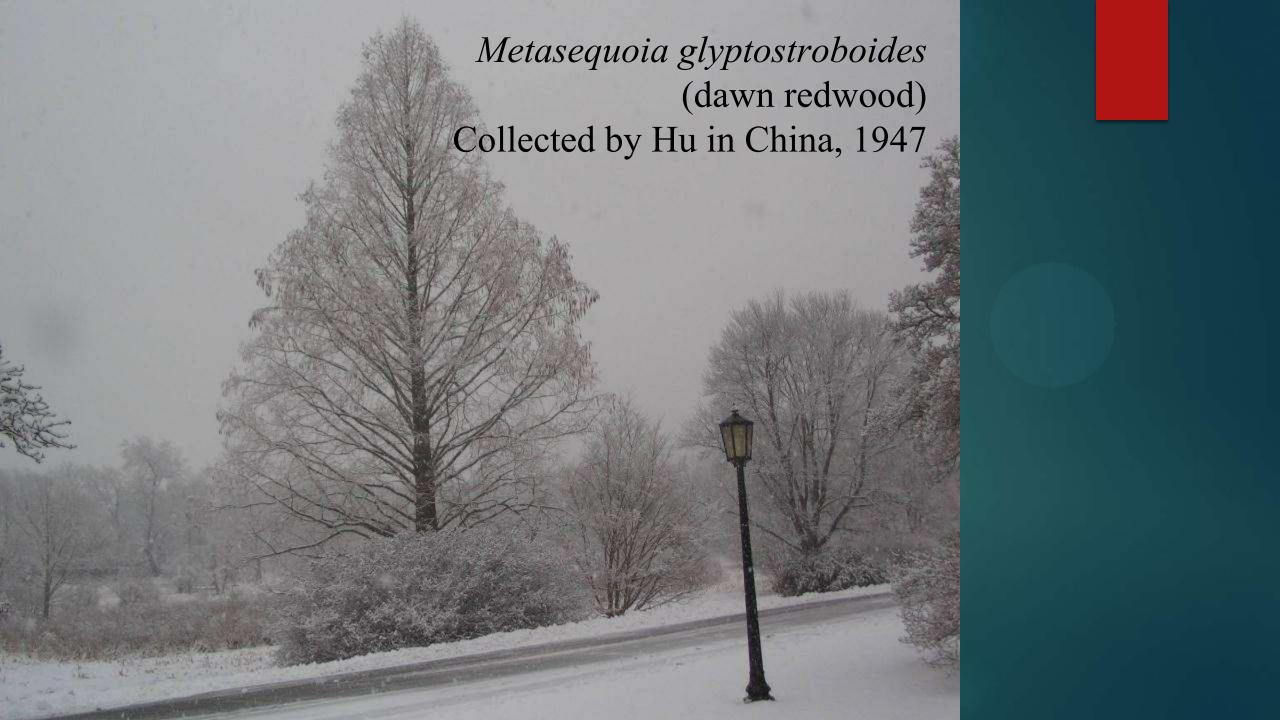


Hydrangea paniculata 'Praecox'
(early panicled hydrangea)
Collected by Sargent in
Japan,1892





Cedrus libani
ssp. stenocoma
(hardy cedar of Lebanon)
Collected by Siehe in
Turkey, 1900



Plant exploration of the past

"Discovering" and introducing new plants – a focus on Alpha Diversity and Economic Botany, including exciting ornamentals for horticulture.

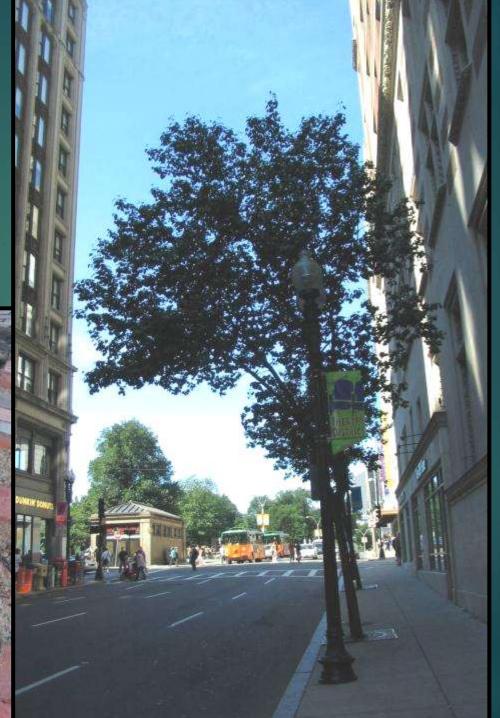




Building a better urban forest

Seeking new plants tolerant of "life on the street"





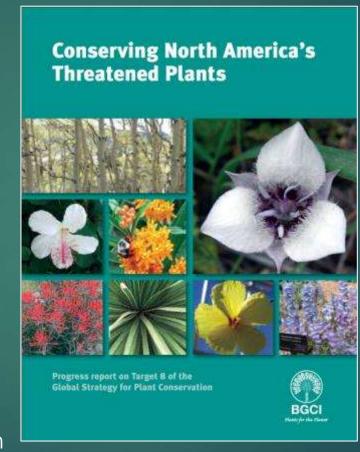
Preserving and studying rare plants



Conservation: The North American Collections Assessment

- 9,496 threatened North American plant species (ca. 1/3)
- 230 plant and seed collections surveyed
- Only 39% species represented in collections

Kramer, A., A. Hird, K. Shaw, M. Dosmann, and R. Mims. 2011. Conserving North America's threatened plants: Progress report on Target 8 of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation. Botanic Gardens Conservation International U.S.









Plant exploration in the present

Responsible collection of plant biodiversity in response to a changing world

...documenting
....conserving
...researching
...growing
...sharing

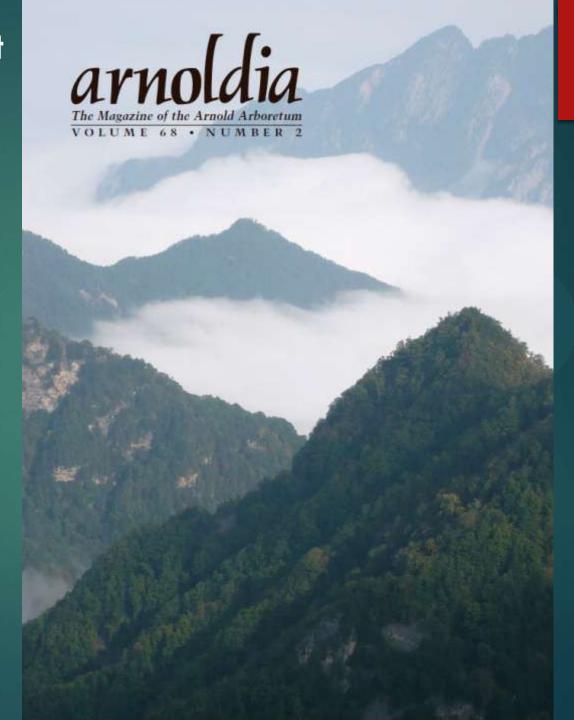
Elements of Successful Plant Exploration

Planned
Focused
Collaborative
Documented
Long-term commitments

North America China Plant Exploration Consortium (NACPEC)

Arnoldia 68(2)

Modern and
Future
Botanic
Garden Plant
Exploration

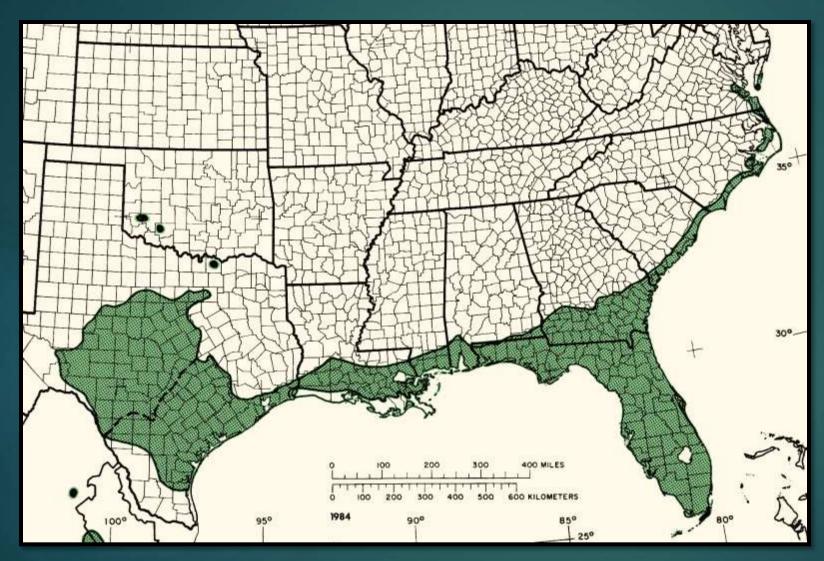




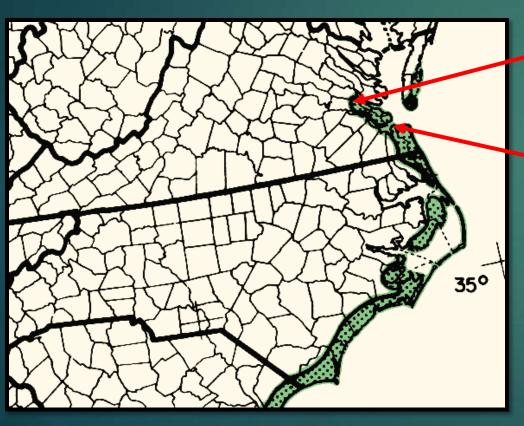
The quest for the hardy live oak

Morris
Arboretum &
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2012 Expedition

Quercus virginiana range



Virginia Populations

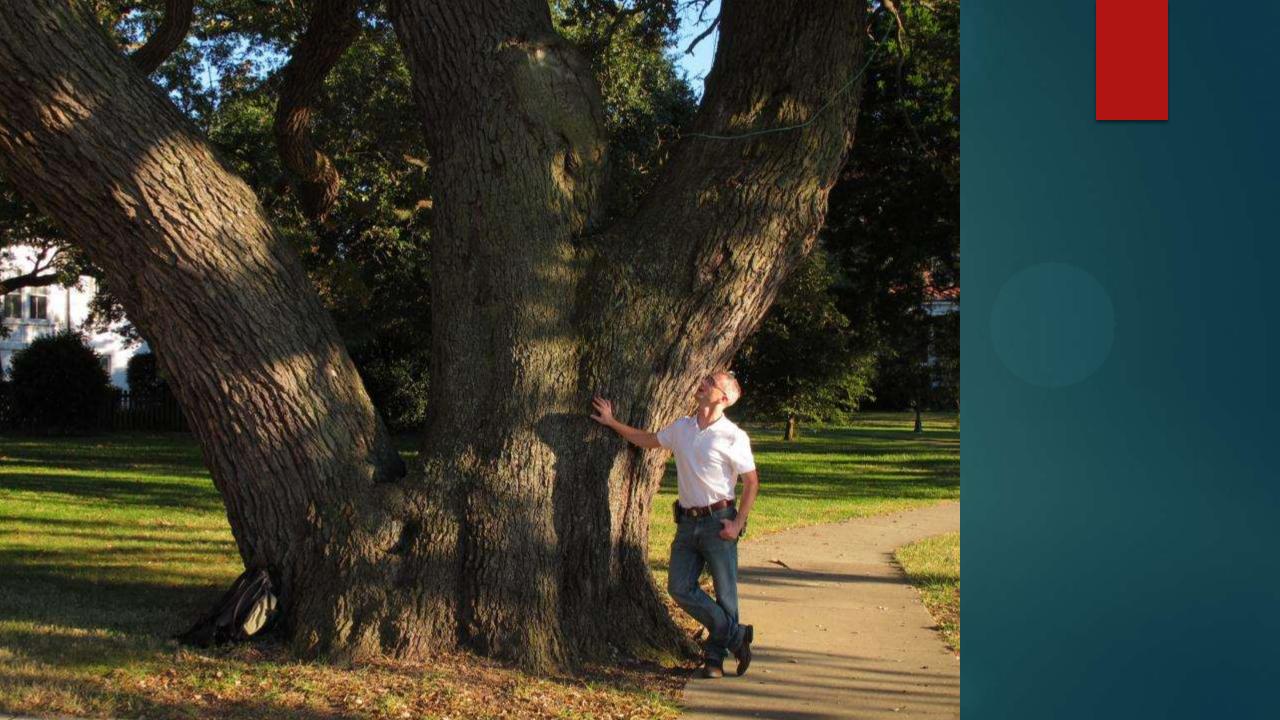


- Richmond:1940, -24C/-12F
- Hampton &Williamsburg:1985, -22C/-7F













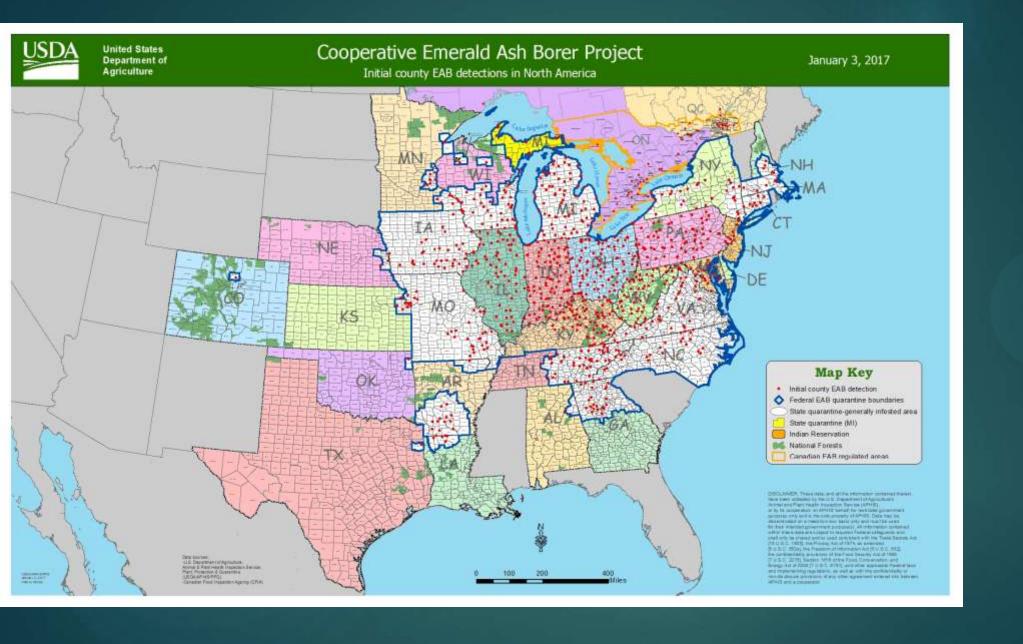
Collecting Fraxinus for Conservation

USDA-ARS, Brenton Arboretum, Arnold Arboretum 2011 Expedition

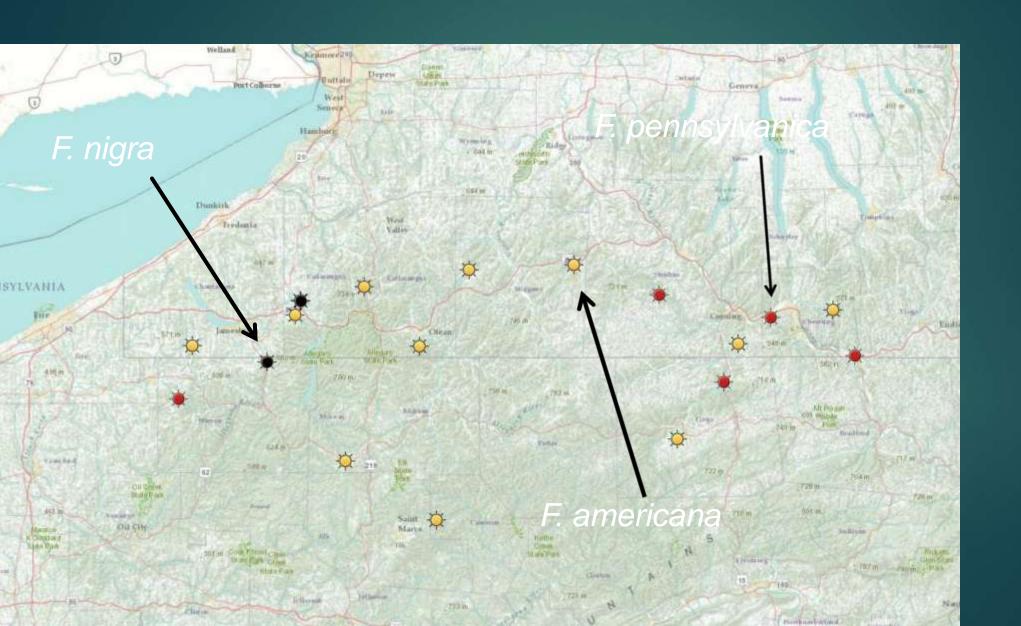
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Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)



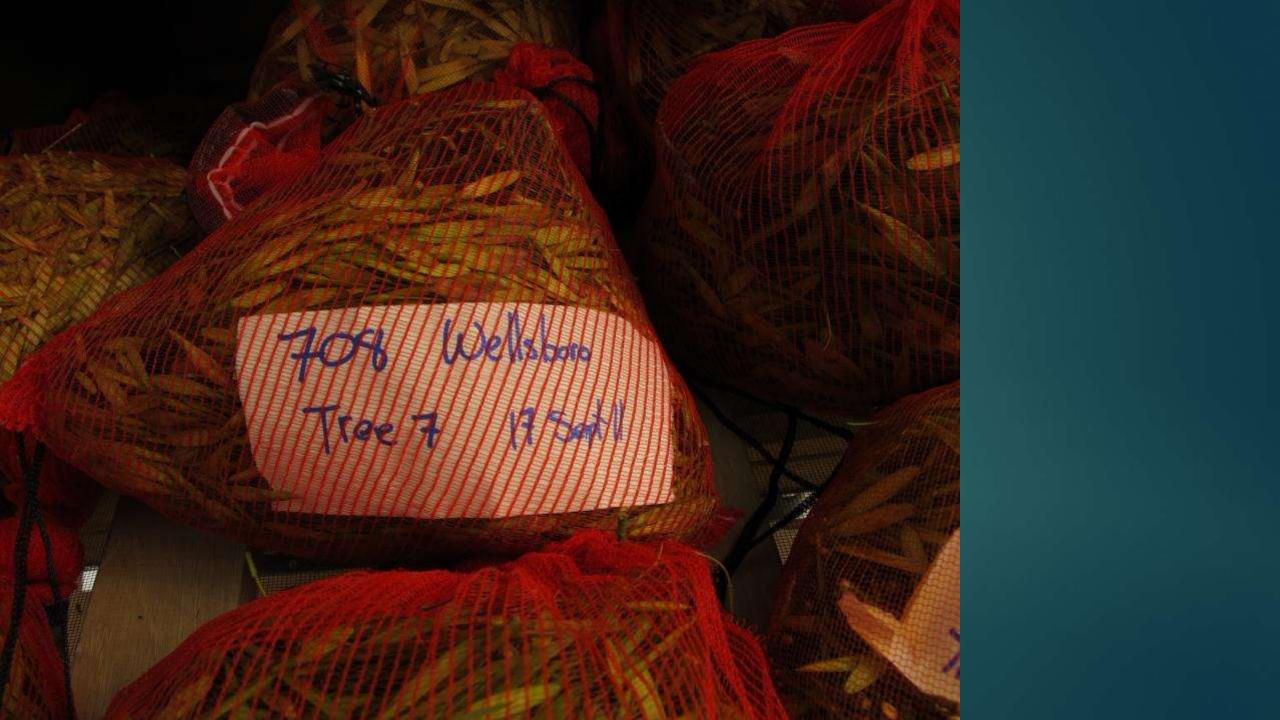


Fraxinus collections: NY & PA in 2011





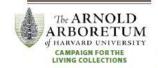
Fraxinus americana #701, Randolph, NY





2 states, 3 species, 10 counties, 21 populations, & 181 ash trees.





Last autumn the Arnold Arboretum launched the Campaign for the Living Collections, an ambitious ten-year plan to expand the breadth of plant holdings and increase their scientific and horticultural value. Considerable thought and effort went into creating a document that guides the Campaign's mission. We present this important document here in its entirety for the benefit of Arboretum supporters, stakeholders, and colleagues. Additional articles covering aspects of developing our Living Collections will be featured in Arnoldia this year.

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Arnoldia 73(4):2-17

Developing an Exemplary Collection: A Vision for the Next Century at the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University

William E. Friedman, Michael S. Dosmann, Timothy M. Boland, David E. Boufford, Michael J. Donoghue, Andrew Gapinski, Larry Hufford, Paul W. Meyer, and Donald H. Pfister



The Compaign for the Living Collections is well under way at the Arboretum. In the last issue we presented the document that guides the Campaign, and to this issue we get to the actionhow does the Arboretum curatorial staff propare for and carry out plant collecting expeditional Curator of Living Collections Michael Dosmann and Manager of Plant Records Kyle Port provide insight and share photographs from their recent trips.

The Art and Act of Acquisition

Michael S. Dosmann and Kyle Port

ant exploration combines a love of plants with adventure. Over its nearly 145-year history, the Arnold Arboretum has harnessed these passions by leading or supporting more than 150 plant collecting events across 70 countries. As knowledge of the plant kingdom has evolved, so have the Arborutum's living collections, placing even greater demand on deliberate and strategic collection planning. As described in the previous issue of Aznoldia Friedman et al. 2016, the new 10-year Campaign for the Living Collections articulates a number of broad goals that, when met, will preserve the collections' singular legacy and advance it well into the future. For example, there is a call to strengthen the species representation within genera such as Vibermen and Texus that are useful to the study of biogeography. As a means of broadening the number of genera in the collections, several marginally hardy taxa like Daphniphyllum macropodum and Nothofagus dombeyi have been identified as species worth trying to grow here. And, because of the great threat of extinction, numerous conservation-status species are highlighted before they disappear from the wild.

The Arboretum will meet these collections goals through the acquisition of nearly 400 target taxa, or desiderata, with each fulfilling at least one [and typically several] goals. For many of the taxa on the list, the Arboretum needs several unique acquisitions (e.g., from multiple locations), so what is initially a list of 395 blossoms into a vibrant garden of 720 actual targets. Each of these targets will require its own acquisition plan and approach. A few might be purchased from nurseries, some may be acquired from cooperative institutions and repositories, while others will be sought out and obtained through the Arboretum's network of colleagues. However, the majority will be obtained on specific plant expeditions in which an Arboretum staff member leads or participates. With the vision and goals in place, a new generation of explorers, horticulturists, and other Arboreturn friends and associates are rallying to collect from the temperate flora and cultivate these plants in the Arboretum.

Few endeavors are as rewarding and exciting as seeing plants in their wild habitats, collecting seeds or other propagules, and then bringing them back home to cultivate. As botanical garden professionals, we also value the role plant exploration plays in other aspects of collections manageA Ten-Year campaign of plant exploration throughout the temperate world: 2015-2024

395 Target Taxa



Acer tsinglingense

Goals for building an exemplary collection

A Synoptic Collection – every temperate woody genus

High-value rarities

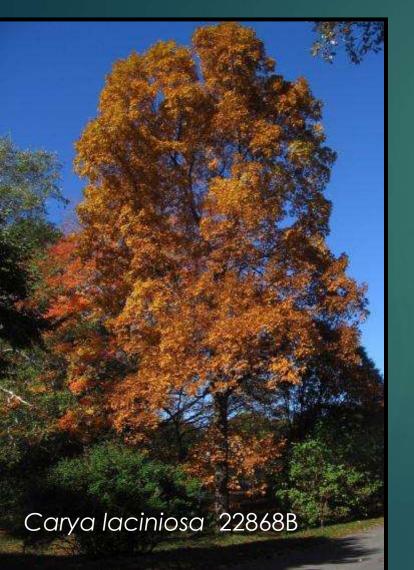
"Finally Wild"

Broadened Diversity – both phylogenetic and biological

New Introductions

National Collection Genera:

Acer, Carya, Fagus, Stewartia, Syringa, & Tsuga



1. Comprehensive species diversity

All known hardy species... and even some marginal ones

2. Improve wild representation

At minimum, one wild lineage per species

3. Increase provenance diversity

Three to five populations, capturing species' "breadth"

Future National Collections

Forsythia, Carpinus, Ostrya, Ginkgo

- 1. Comprehensive species diversity
- 2. Improve wild representation



Ostrya japonica

The Desiderata: Overview

Species to collect because of:

Conservation concern	46
6 National Collection Genera (current)	113
4 National Collection Genera (future)	42
Disjunct Genera (E North America – E Asia)	26

The Desiderata: Overview

Acquisition targets' regions of origin:

Eastern Asia	180
Eurasia	13
Europe	14
North America	128
South America	2



Individual Taxon Profiles (ITPs)

- -Basic taxon description
- -Location possibilities
- -Conservation details
- -Possible collaborative partners

195 ITPs completed to date (70% of the remainder needed for the Campaign)

Taxon Profile: Hypericum kalmianum

Scientific Name (The Plant List): Hypericum kalmianum L.

Other Names (The Plant List): Norysca kalmiana (L.) K. Koch

Common names (Flora of North America):

Kalm's St. John's wort, millepertuis de Kalm Kalm's St. John's wort, millepertuis de Kalm

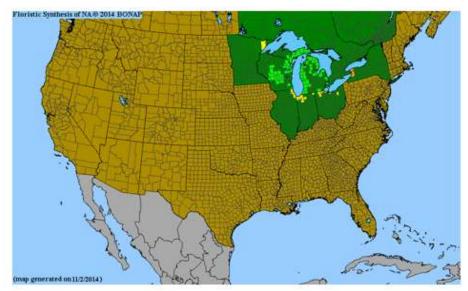
Taxon Description (Flora of North America):

Shrubs, erect, forming slender to rounded or flat-topped bush, (1.4-)2-6(-10) dm. Stems: internodes 4-lined at first, then terete. Leaf blades narrowly oblong to oblanceolate or linear, $(15-)20-45\times3-7(-10)$ mm, base articulated, narrowly cuneate to subattenuate, margins subrecurved to revolute, apex rounded to obtuse, midrib with 9–14 pairs of branches. Inflorescences usually (1-)3-7(+)-flowered <from apical node>, rarely with flowers from 1–2 proximal nodes. Flowers 20–35 mm diam.; sepals deciduous, not enclosing capsule, (4-)5, elliptic or oblong to obovate, subequal, $4-9\times1.5-5$ mm; petals (4-)5, golden yellow, obovate to oblong, 8-15 mm; stamens deciduous, 150-200; ovary (3-)5(-6)-merous. Capsules narrowly ovoid-conic, $7-11\times4-7$ mm. Seeds narrowly carinate, 0.7-1.1 mm; testa subscalariform. 2n=18. Flowering summer (Jul-Aug).

Living wild AA Accessions (as of Dec 2016): none

Desired Regional Provenances: Great Lakes

Taxon Range (BONAP):



Preferred Habitat (Flora of North America):

Sandy or calcareous dune slacks or swales rocky shores, plains and low prairies, along streams, sphagnum-sedge swamps; 10–400 m

Additional Notes Flora of North America):

Hypericum kalmianum is a northern derivative of H. prolificum with shorter stems, narrower leaves, fewer and larger flowers, and, usually, five styles and placentae. Natural hybrids with H. prolificum have been reported from Wisconsin.

In NPGS?

none

In BCGI?

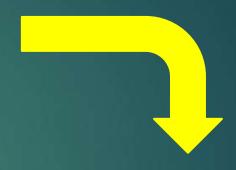
Yes (60+ sites worldwide)

ITPs can also inform future landscape decisions



Hypericum kalmianum 'Ames' (319-2001*A) photo: Michael Dosmann





Coarse



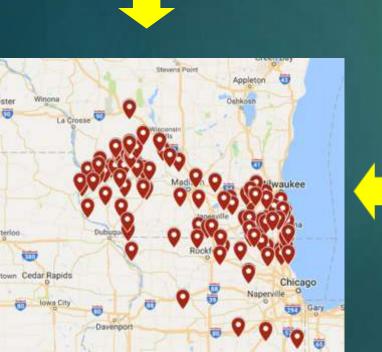
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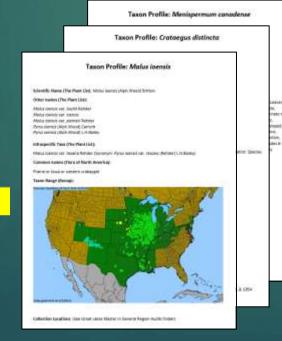
SERNEC Southeast Regional Network of Expertise and Collections



	Google Map	
Taxon	Location	Notes
		Fennville, ca 2.3 mi NE; Specimen of Hypericum kalmianum L. recorded on Jul 6, 1991
Hypericum kalmianum	42.61N, 86.066W	from R. L. McGregor Herbarium Vascular Plants Collection dataset
		Human Observation of Hypericum kalmianum L. recorded on Jul 16, 2016
Hypericum		
kalmianum	42.91221N, 88.48648W	from iNaturalist Research-grade Observations dataset







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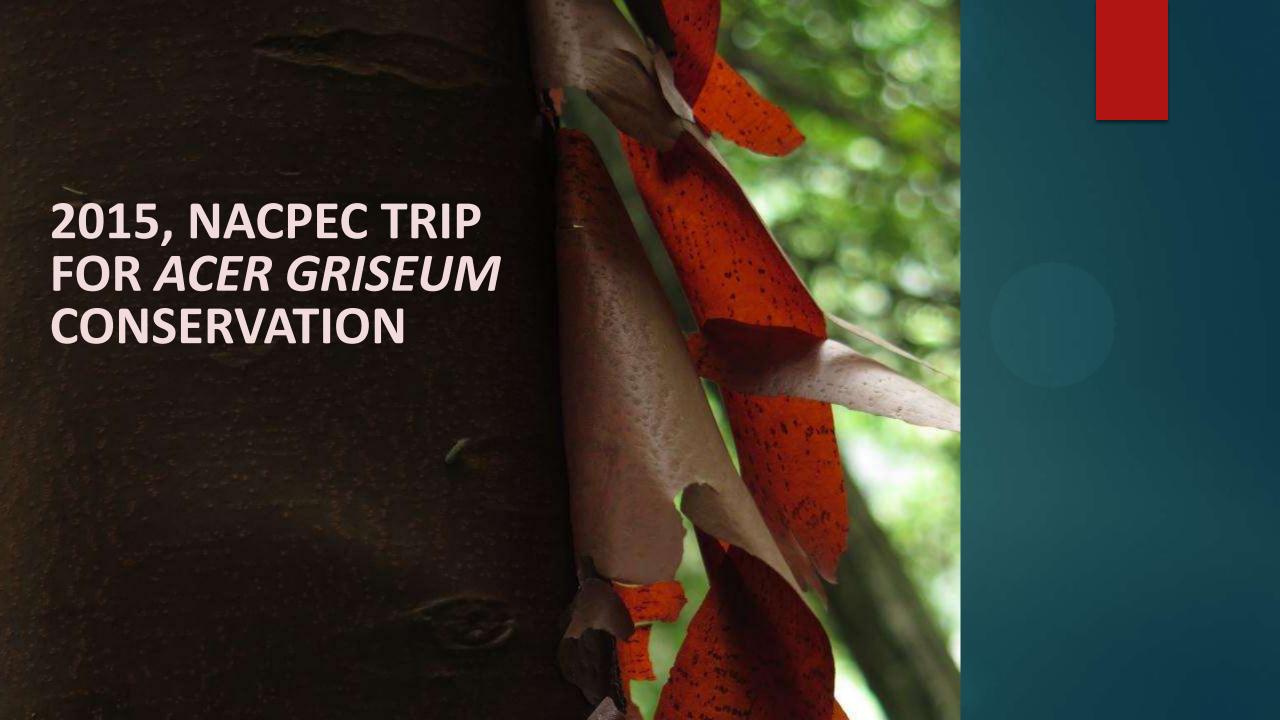
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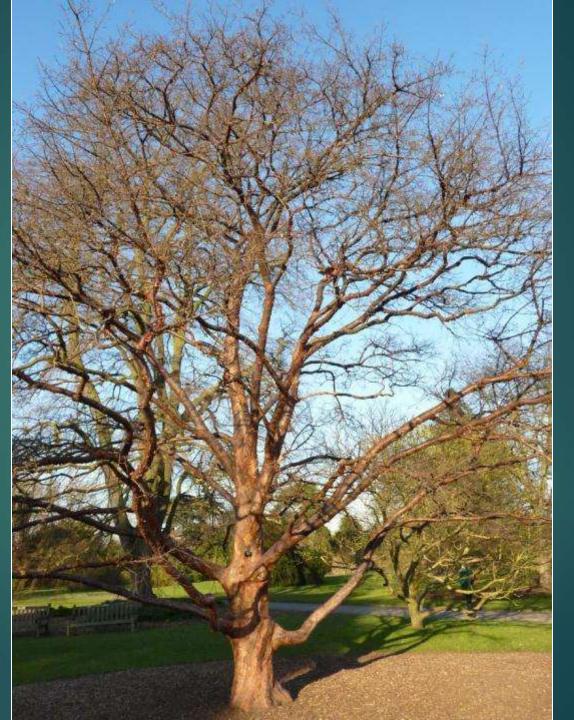
Three germplasm introductions of paperbark maple by E. H. Wilson

- ▶ 1901 EHW (Veitch Seed) #1291
 - Seed, high germination success, ca 100 seedlings resulted and sold "Wilson #1"
- ▶ 1907 EHW (Arnold Arboretum) #340
 - ► Seed, poor to no germination success, none survived*
- ▶ 1907 EHW (Arnold Arboretum) #719
 - ► Two seedlings "Wilson #2"



All cultivated trees outside of China can be traced to "Wilson #1" and "Wilson #2"

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (photo by A. Aiello)



Until a third collection NACPEC 1994 13 seedlings – 3 to the AA





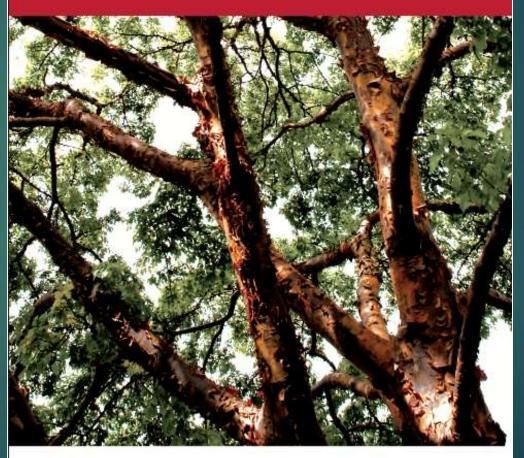
Aceraceae 槭树科 Acer 槭属 Acer griseum (Franch.) Pax 血皮枫 Trees, deciduous 11.9 $(3.3\sim16.2)$; -1.8 $(-12.7\sim4.4)$; 24.4 $(17.5\sim28.1)$; 12.3 $(6.6\sim16.2)$; $(70.3 \sim 334.4)$ 5674

2009 Report updated the Conservation Status of *Acer griseum to* EN-A2c

Facing a very high risk of extinction in the wild due to a 50% or greater reduction in population size over the last three generations due to a decline in the area of occupancy/extent of occurrence/quality of habitat.

The Red List of Maples

Douglas Gibbs and Yousheng Chen











WHAT DID WE COLLECT?

HABITAT AND LOCALITY DESCRIPTIONS

HERBARIUM VOUCHERS (ONE PER POPULATION)

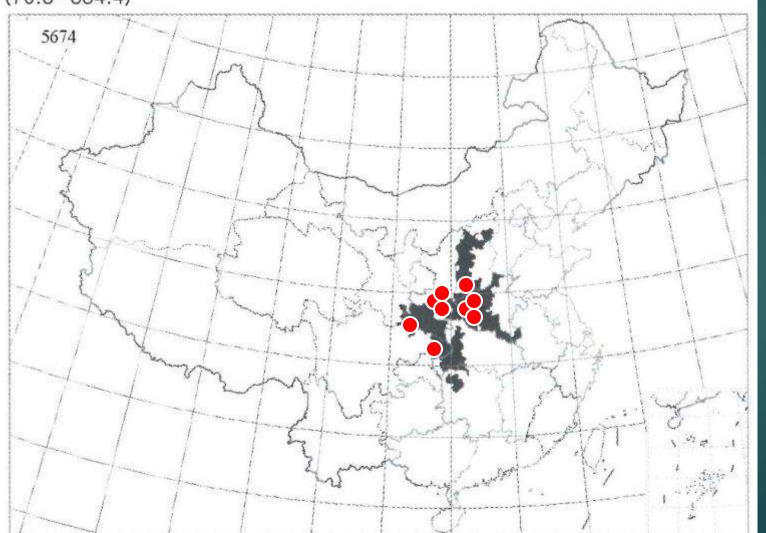
LEAVES IN SILICA (GENERALLY UP TO 15 TREES – IF POSSIBLE)

SEEDS (IF AVAILABLE)

WHERE DID WE COLLECT?

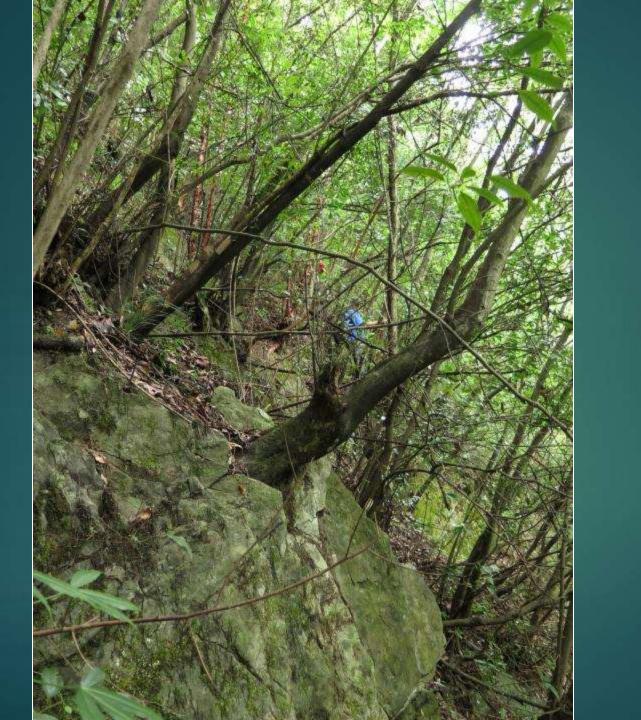
3600 KILOMETERS
NINE POPULATIONS
SIX PROVINCES

Aceraceae 槭树科 Acer 槭属 Acer griseum (Franch.) Pax 血皮枫 Trees, deciduous









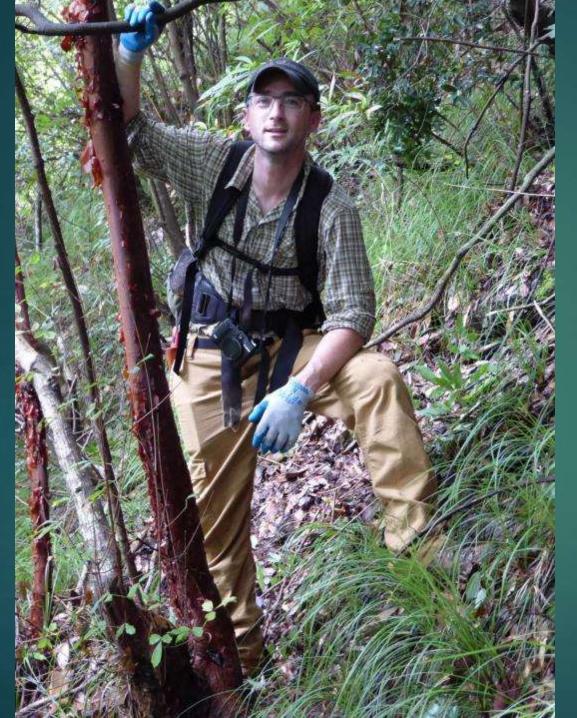


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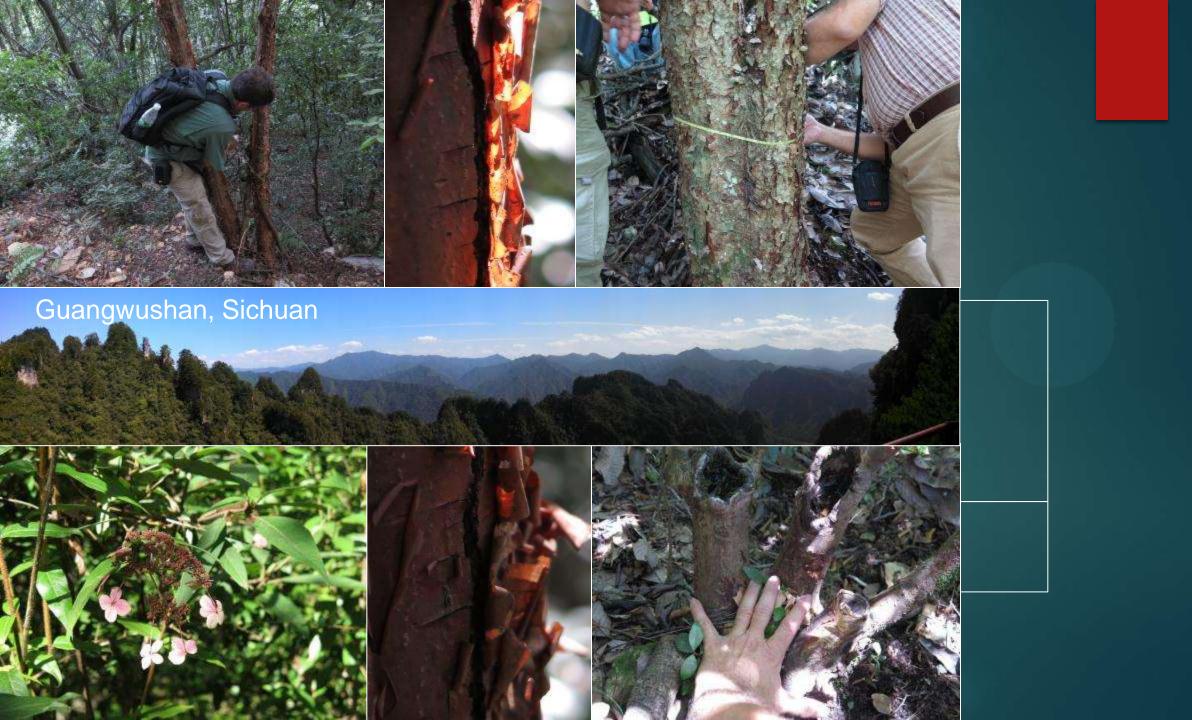






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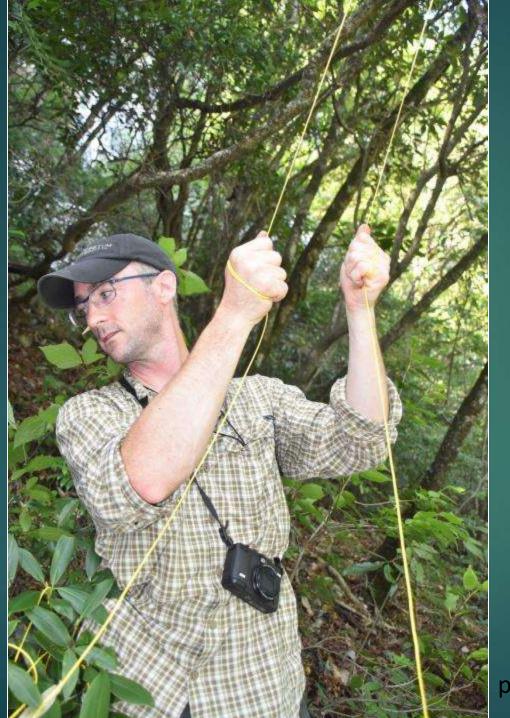


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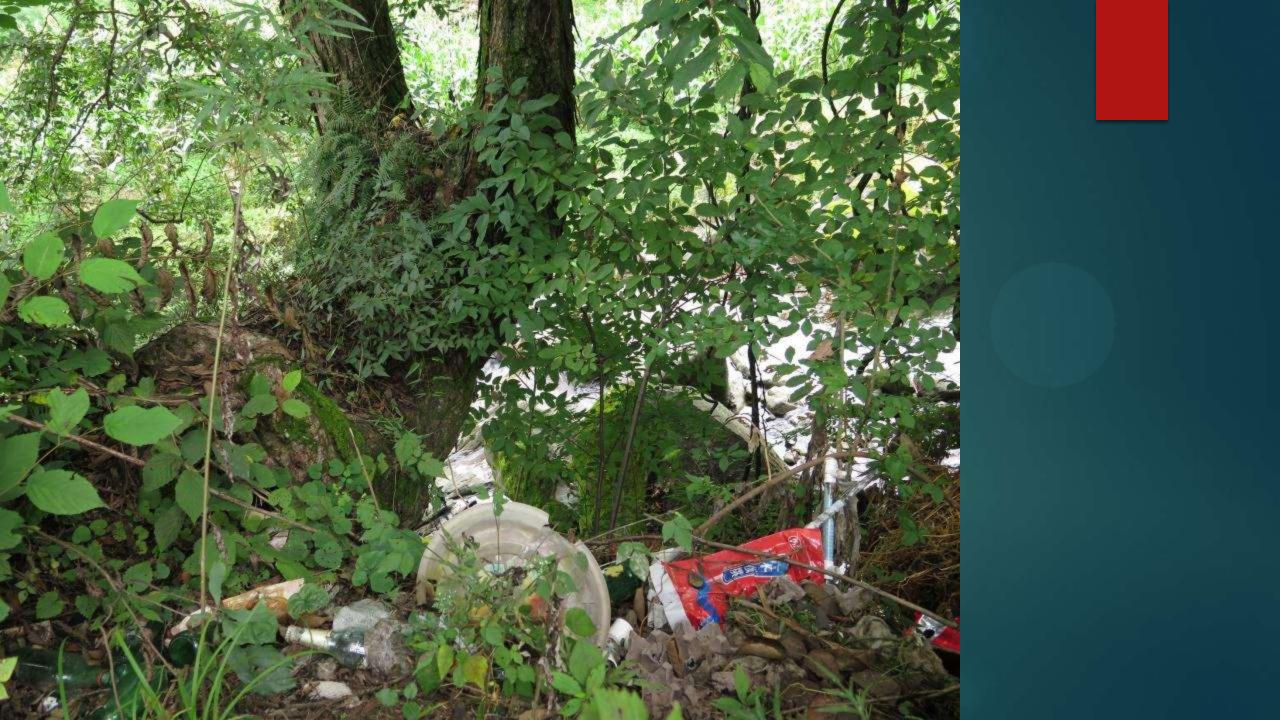




Corylus fargesii

2015 NACPEC trip Shaanxi









Expeditions 2016

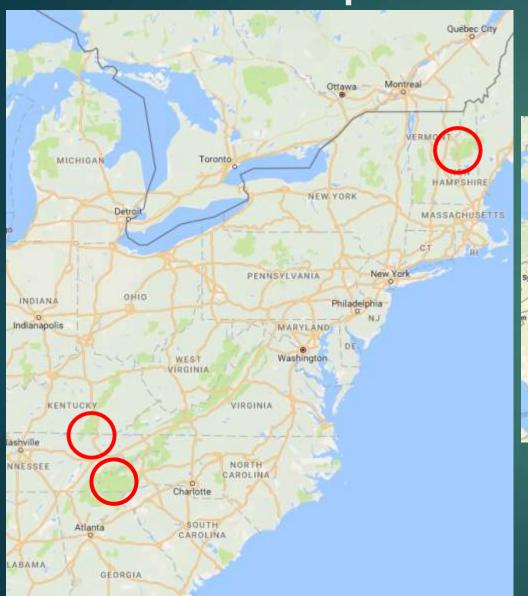
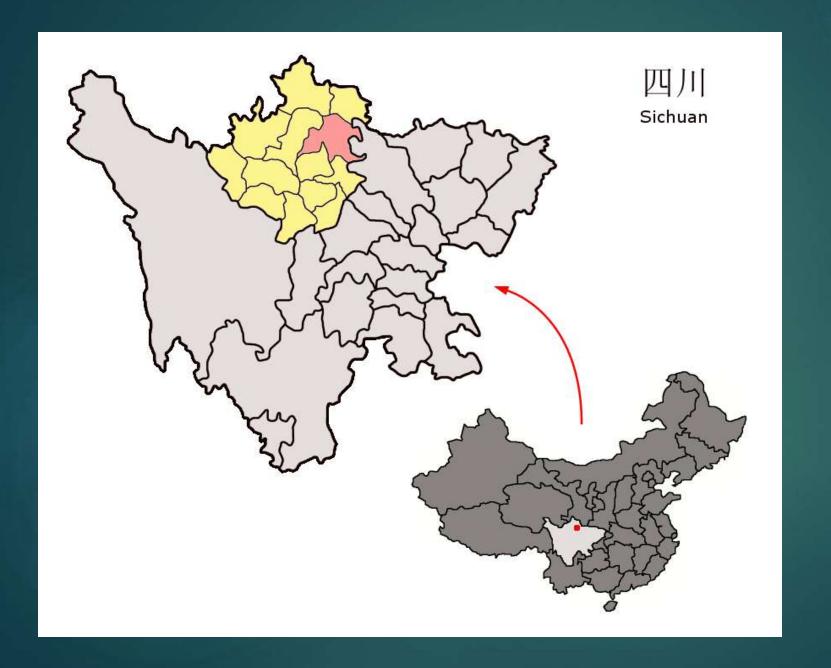
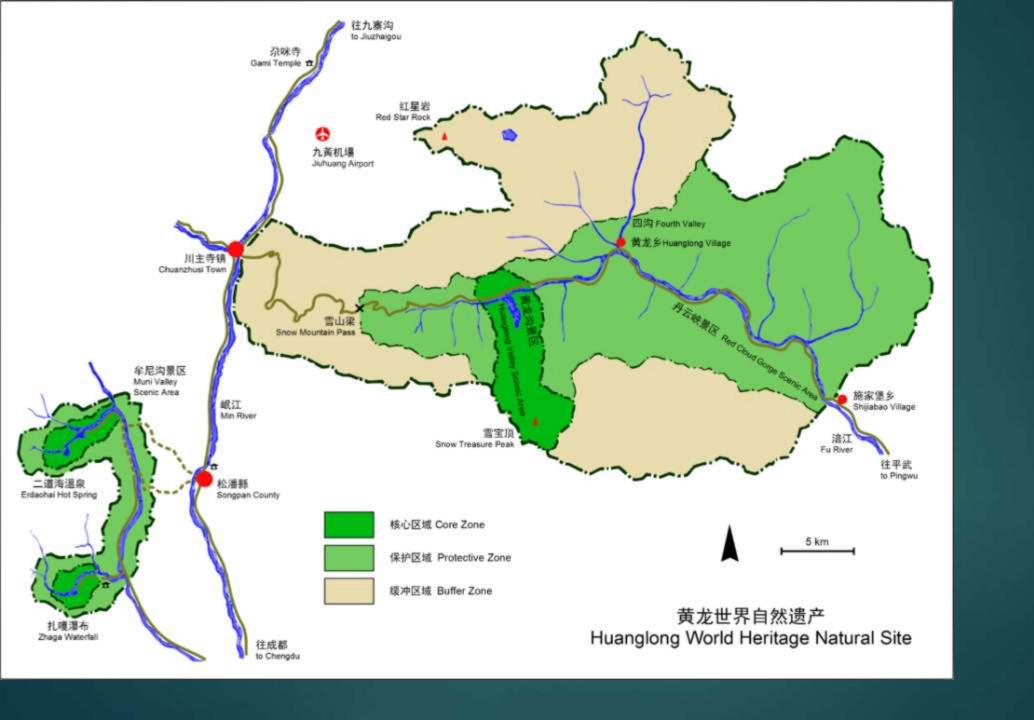




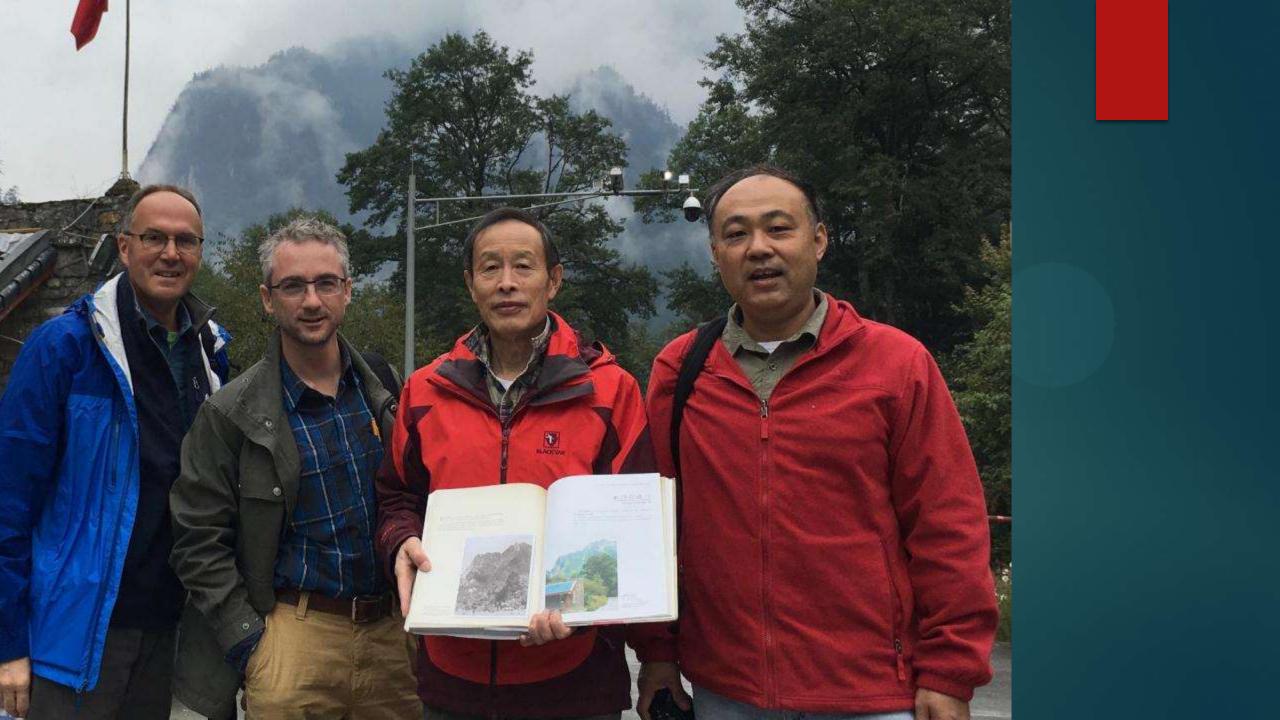


Fig. 1. Songpan County, Sichuan (from Wikipedia)











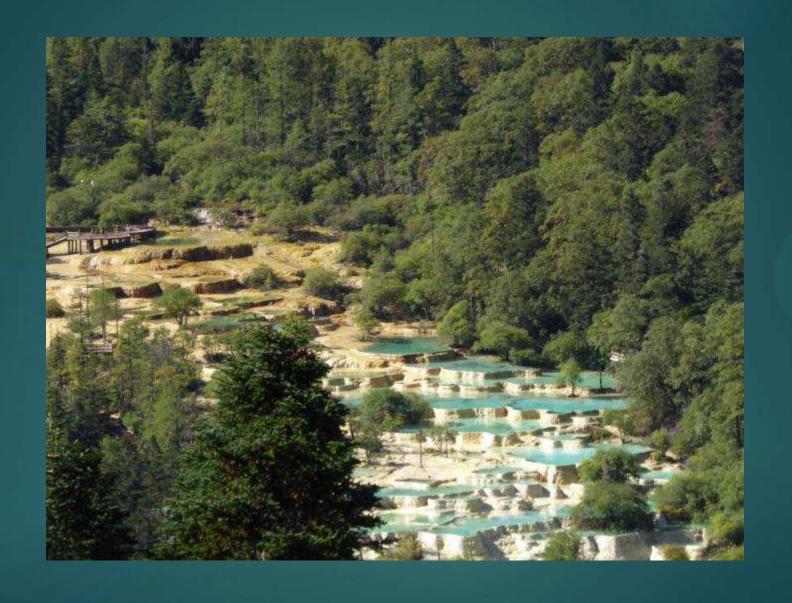
Meliosma alba (syn. M. beaniana) Mayuan Village, Pingwu County, Sichuan

Photo by E. H. Wilson 19 August 1910











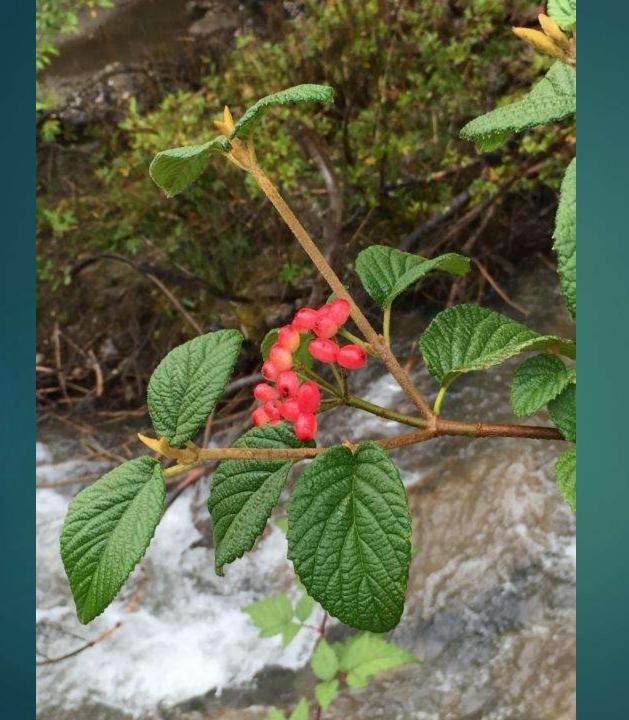








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Viburnum schensianum





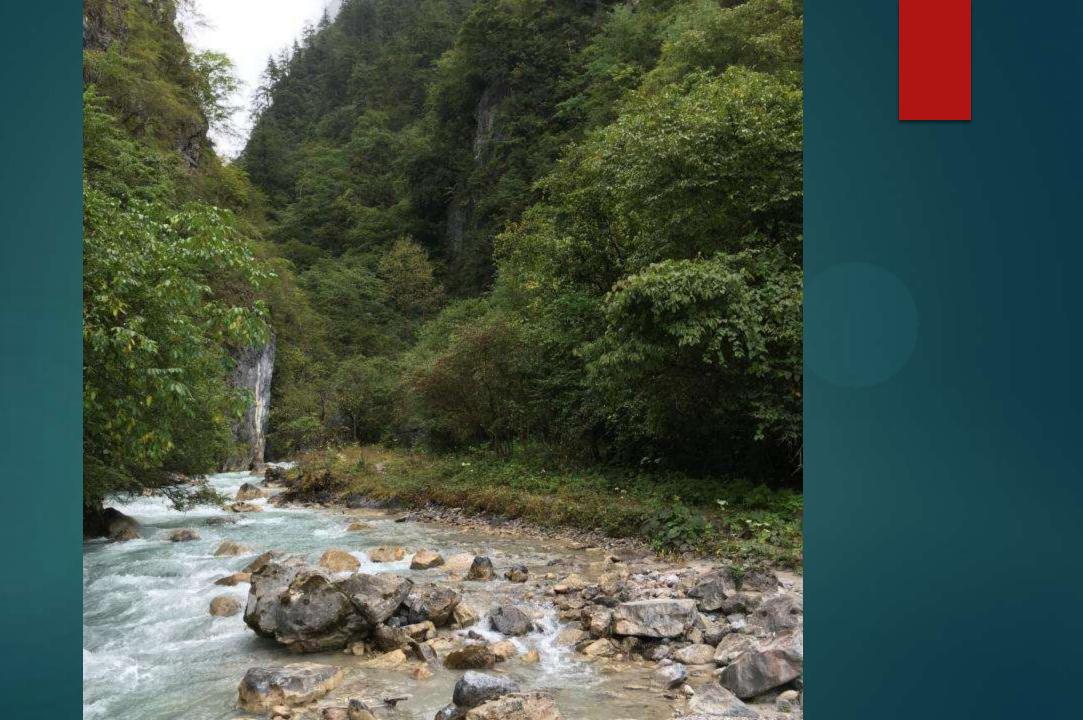




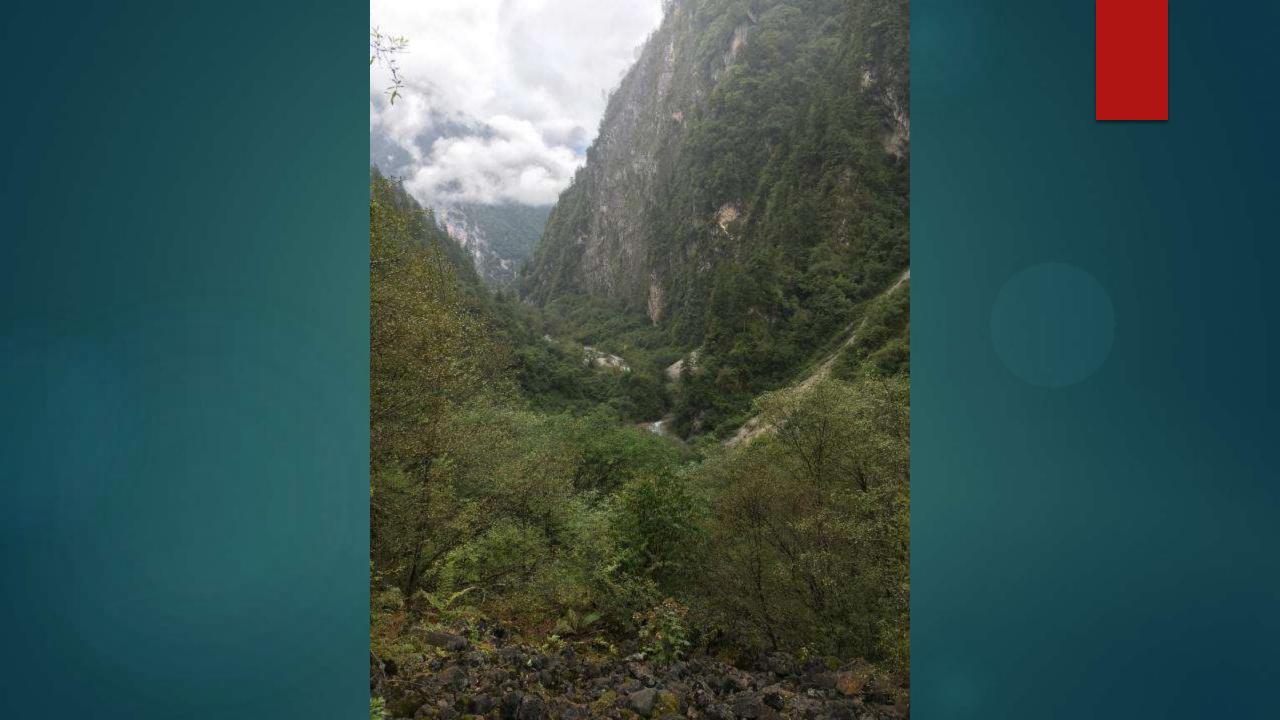


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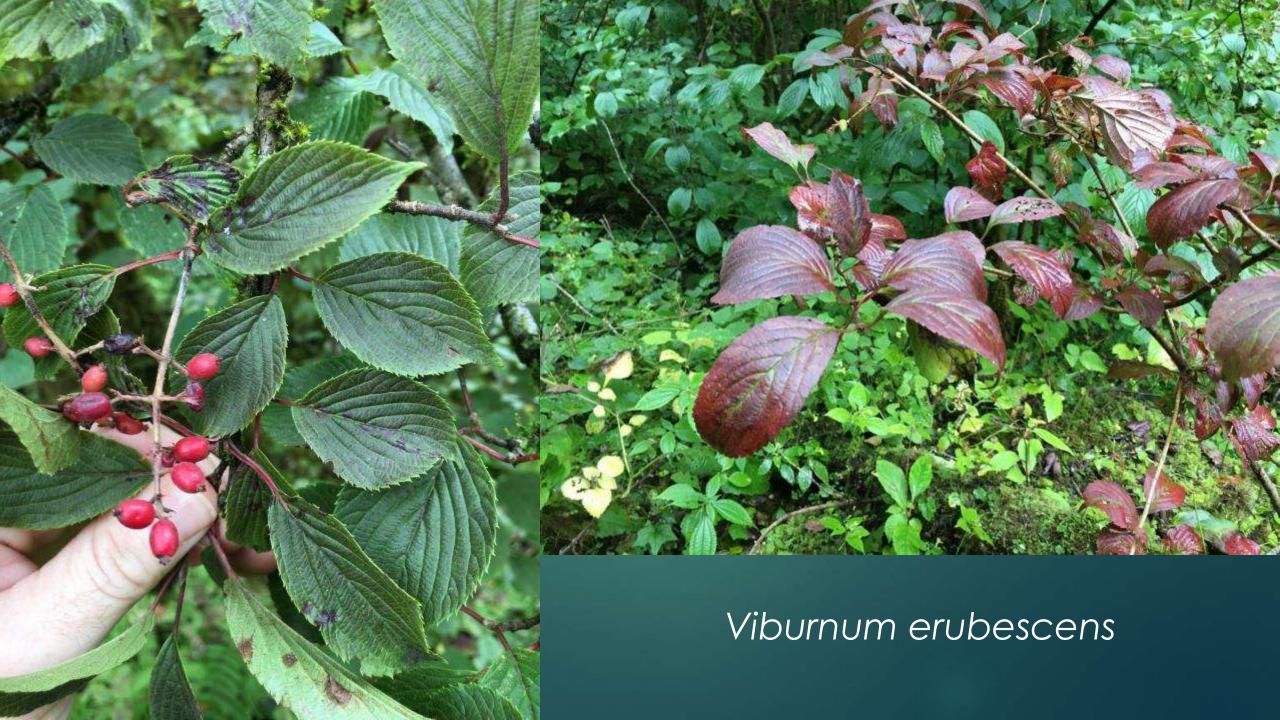














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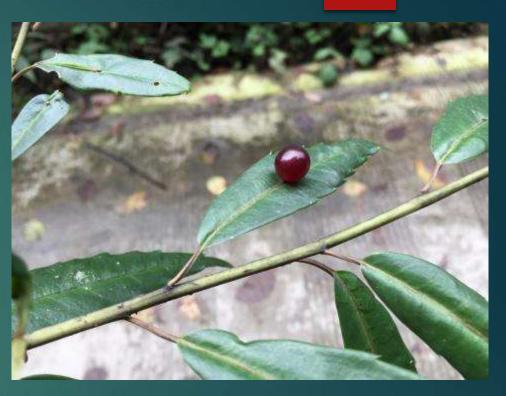


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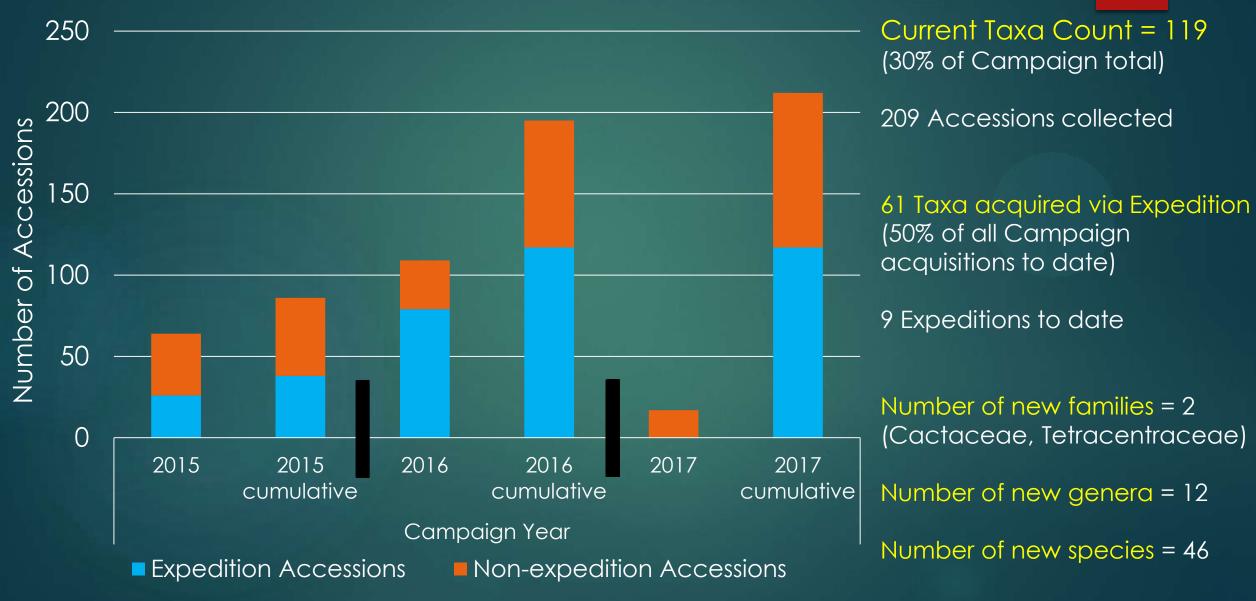
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