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American sweetgum
Liquidambar styraciflua

Code: LIST2

Status: non-native



Bark: gray/brown, smooth developing deep furrows with rounded ridges

Foliage: green, star-shaped with 5-7 pointed lobes

Twigs: moderately stout, red to yellow/brown, often with corky-wings, aromatic

Flower: female: rounded and 2-beaked, male: upright, panicle

Fruit: globe-shaped, opening into beak-like structure; hanging on 2-3" stems