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**Nebraska**  
Lincoln

willow  
*Salix* spp.

Code: SALIX

Status: native



**Bark:** yellowish-gray, becoming rougher texture with age

**Foliage:** deciduous, alternate, simple

**Twigs:** often times bright color current year growth (yellow, green, red); bud: single cap

**Flower:** small, imperfect, usually catkins, dioecious

**Fruit:** achene, germination requires moist soil