

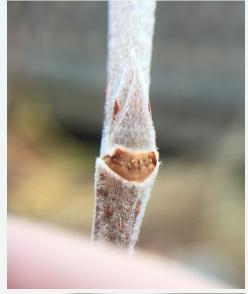
Eagle Hill Natural History Science Fall Workshops ...

... on the Coast of Maine, just east of Acadia National Park

TREE AND SHRUB IDENTIFICATION USING TWIGS AND OTHER WINTER CHARACTERISTICS

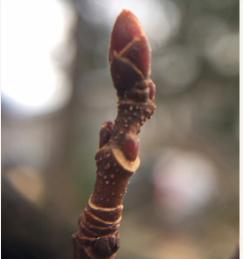
November 9 - 11, 2018

This workshop is designed for the nature enthusiast and hiker as well as the field biologist interested in knowing how to identify, in winter, common trees and shrubs of New England. Key criteria for identifying trees and shrubs without their leaves, such as overall form, bark, twig features, leaf scars and fruit remnants will be discussed along with variations in each that indicate differences between the kinds of woody plants. Next the workshop will cover the combinations of winter features that distinguish one genus (i.e. maple, oak, ash etc.) from another. In all, twenty-three genera of trees and twenty-three genera of shrubs will be covered in the course of examining specimens representative of each genus. Major species differences within genera will also be discussed bringing the total number of taxa covered to around fifty-five. Differences between species in any or all of the genera can also be covered. However, as presently structured this workshop should give participants a solid grounding in identifying many of our common and representative trees and shrubs in winter condition, and provide a basis for enabling them to continue individual study and improve their expertise.









About the instructor

Dennis Magee (hmagee48@gmail.com) has been teaching workshops in identification of woody plants in winter for more than 30 years. He also teaches workshops in identification of Grasses. Among other botanical books, he is the principal author of Flora of the Northeast: A Manual of the Vascular Flora of New England and Adjacent New York.