



Heritage Trees of Portland

EUROPEAN WHITE BIRCH (*Betula pendula*) BETULACEAE

- Native to Europe from Scandinavia to Asia Minor.
- Height rarely exceed 100'. In Portland rarely exceeds 50'.
- Species' leaves triangular. Common cultivar ('Crispa') has deeply cut leaves.
- Flowers are male and female catkins on same limb.
- Bark on young trees is white with occasional black triangles. Older trees have darker, fissured bark at base.
- Fall color is yellow.
- Abundant in Portland. Ice storms raise havoc. #44 is hybrid with Downy birch (*B. pubescens*).



44 Birch hybrid (*Betula pendula* x *B. pubescens*)

7025 N. Seward*

H 35, S 75, C 11.17



163 European white birch (*Betula pendula*)

1526 NE Thompson*

H 80, S 99. C 9.4

LEGEND

*	privately owned	H	height
X	across from	S	canopy spread
cr.	corner	C	circumference of trunk
nr.	near	<i>(all measurements in feet)</i>	