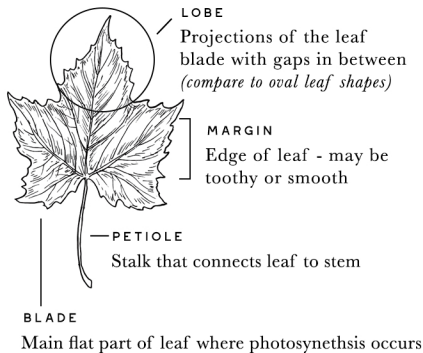


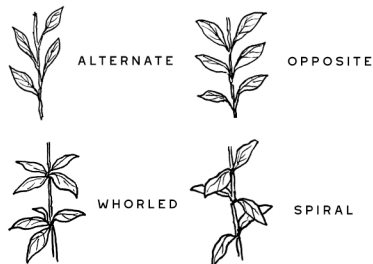
# INTRODUCTION *to* IDENTIFYING DECIDUOUS LEAVES

## STRUCTURE



## PHYLLOTAXY

Arrangement of leaves on the stem. This is distinct from leaf type, as it's how the leaf grows from the node on the stem, rather than how it is attached to petiole.



## LEAF TYPE

### SIMPLE

Simple leaves are attached to the woody stem by the petiole.



### COMPOUND

Compound leaves are divided into leaflets attached to the middle vein (or midrib), and then attached to the woody stem or twig.



#### PALMATE

Leaflets radiate from a single point outwards in fan or palm shape



#### PINNATE

Leaflets arranged on either side of midrib in a feather like shape

## MARGINS



**ENTIRE**  
Smooth



**CRENATE**  
Rounded teeth



**SERRATE**  
Upward pointing teeth



**DENTATE**  
Symmetrical teeth



**LOBED**  
Deeply indented