



# Springboro Tree Farms

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## American Elm

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Ulmus americana*

FAMILY: Ulmaceae

ORIGIN: eastern North America

When we were growing up one of the first plant diseases we ever heard of was the Dutch Elm Disease. And it seemed to be killing about every Elm tree in town back in the 50s.



Dutch elm disease is a fungal disease spread by elm bark beetles. It's pretty common to find dying elm trees yet today. Here at the farm, we look under and around dying Elm trees in late April and early May in hope of finding Morel mushrooms.

The scientific name for American elm is *Ulmus Americana*. It's less commonly known as the white elm or water elm and is a species of elm native to eastern North America, American elm is

naturally occurring from Nova Scotia west to Alberta and Montana, and south to Florida and central Texas.