

## Honey Locust

SCIENTIFIC NAME: Gleditsia triacanthos FAMILY: Fabaceae ORIGIN: Central North America

The needles of these trees are very hard on ATV and tractor tires, so we don't encourage them. In fact, you may see a few that we've girdled (cut through the bark all



the way around the tree with a chain saw) in order to kill the tree.

But if the tree is in a location where it can't cause problems, we let them live.

The scientific name for the honey locust is Gleditsia triacanthos. It's also known as the thorny locust or thorny honey locust.

It is a deciduous tree in the family Fabaceae, native to central North America where it is mostly found in the moist soil of river valleys.