Basic Detail Report

Title: Suffield Elm Double Arch Bench

Date: 2011 Medium: Elm

Description: This bench is fabricated from the largest American elm in Connecticut, which had to be brought down in the fall of 2009 after becoming a hazard in its location. It comes from Suffield, just north of Bradley International airport. The tree grew on the Coulter property, a generational farm, which Norm Coulter, 87, still works today. We counted 148 growth rings with him when we examined the massive trunk. Elms are known for their wine glass shape and ample shade. This made them the tree of choice for American cities and college campuses for generations until the introduction of Dutch elm disease in the 1930's when 90% of them were decimated. Dimensions: $95 \times 24 \times 19$ in. $(241.3 \times 61 \times 48.3 \text{ cm})$