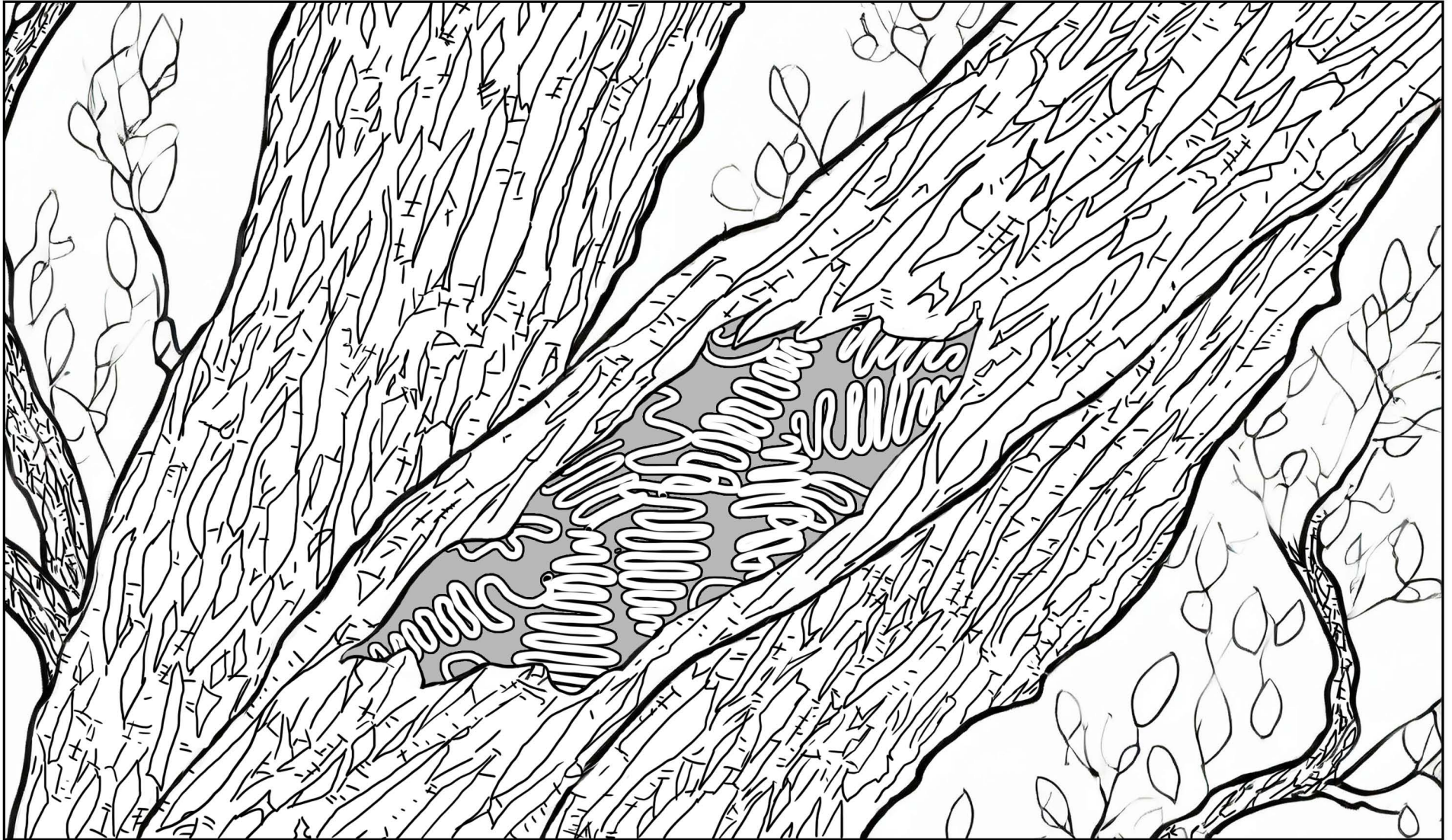


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The emerald ash borer (EAB) bores into ash trees feeding on tissues beneath the bark, ultimately killing the tree. EAB attacks all species of ash native to the United States as well as native white fringetree. Direct evidence of the beetle can be seen. Small, 1/8" D-shaped exit holes will occur wherever an adult beetle emerges. This may be above eye level, so it is important not to discount a symptomatic tree if no exit holes are observed. If the bark is peeled back, the galleries where larvae have fed may also be observed; they are meandering.



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