

# Post Oak

## Leaf

Deciduous leaves are 4 to 6 inches long  
Lobes form a cross shape

## Tree Description

Medium to large size  
Up to 50 feet tall with trunk 2 feet in diameter

## Bark

Thick, gray-brown  
Narrow, irregular cracks and scaly ridges on  
older trees

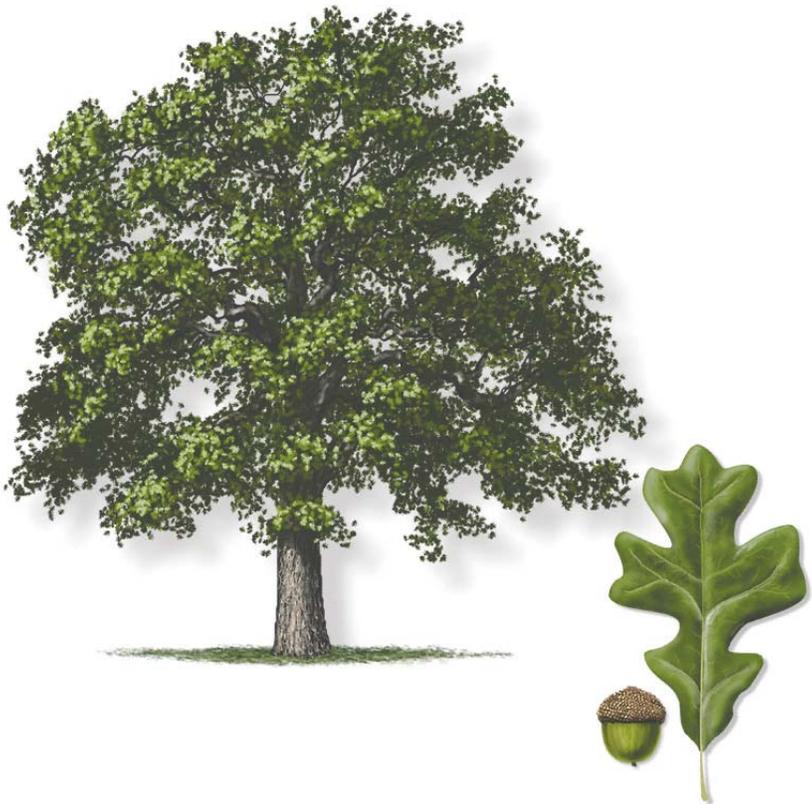
## Wood

Heavy, hard  
Used for crossties and fence posts, sometimes for  
lumber

## Notes

So common that an entire ecoregion is  
named Post Oak Savannah

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# American Elm

## Leaf

Deciduous leaves are 4 to 6 inches long, 2 to 3  
inches wide  
Oval, tip comes to a point  
Base is lopsided and double toothed

## Tree Description

Large size, up to 90 feet tall

## Bark

Dark gray  
Divided into irregular flat-topped, thick ridges

## Wood

Heavy, hard, strong  
Once used for wheel hubs, furniture parts,  
veneer for baskets

## Notes

Historically a common street tree, but  
almost wiped out by Dutch Elm Disease

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# Red Maple

## Leaf

Deciduous leaves are 2 to 5 inches long  
Has 3 to 5 pointed saw-toothed lobes  
In autumn, leaves turn a brilliant shade of red or orange-yellow

## Tree Description

Medium size, fast growing, reaches 90 feet tall

## Bark

Smooth and light gray on young tree  
Rough, scaly, dark gray on old limbs and trees

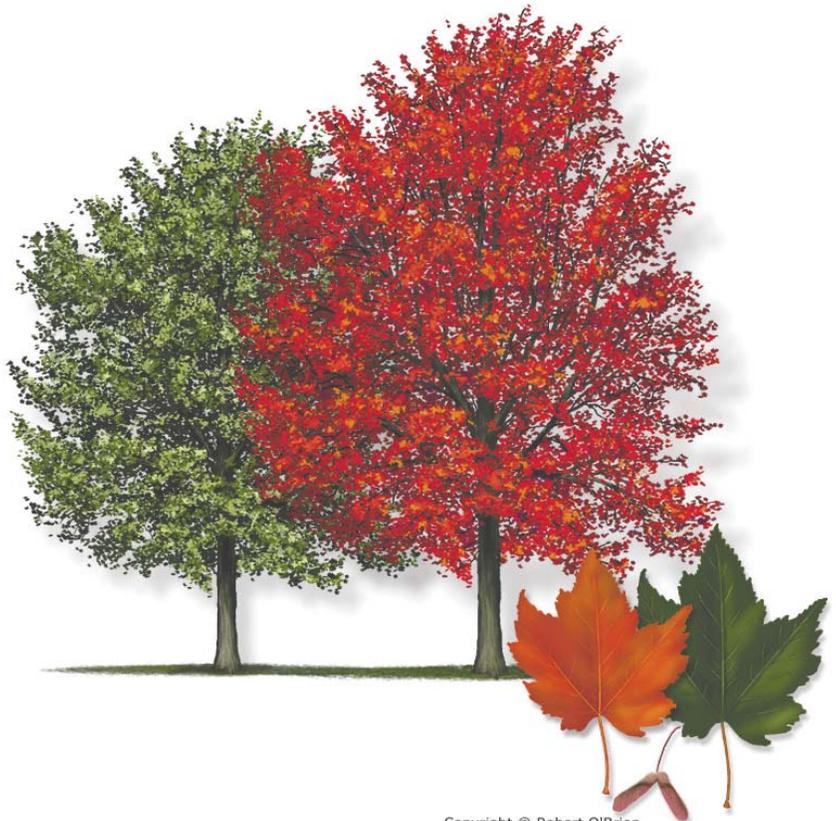
## Wood

Heavy, close-grained, light brown color  
Used for furniture, turned items, fuel

## Notes

Also named Swamp Maple, Trident Maple,  
Drummond Red Maple

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# Pecan

## Leaf

Deciduous leaves have 11 to 17 leaflets, lanceolate  
Margins are finely-toothed and long-pointed

## Tree Description

Large size, but can grow tall and slender in wooded settings  
Up to 120 feet tall with trunk 4 feet in diameter

## Bark

Gray-brown and smooth at first  
Thin scales on older trees that flake off, creating a rough texture

## Wood

Heavy and hard, but brittle and not strong  
Used for flooring and cooking wood, especially for barbeques

## Notes

State tree of Texas

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# Loblolly Pine

## Leaf

Evergreen needles in bundles of three, 5 to 10 inches long

## Tree Description

Large, fast growing  
Up to 125 feet tall with trunk 4 feet in diameter

## Bark

Thick, dark red-brown to black flaky plates

## Wood

Most commercially valuable southern pine,  
coarse-grained  
For lumber, posts, boxes, pulp, and many more uses

## Notes

Southern Pine Beetle once damaged large pine stands that today are protected by sustainable management practices

Find more at <http://tfsweb.tamu.edu/insects>



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# Texas Ash

## Leaf

Deciduous leaves with 5 oval or round leaflets  
Dark green on top, lighter below

## Tree Description

Medium sized, oval crown  
Up to 45 feet tall with trunk 2 feet in diameter

## Bark

Gray with brown or black blotches with interlocking flattened ridges

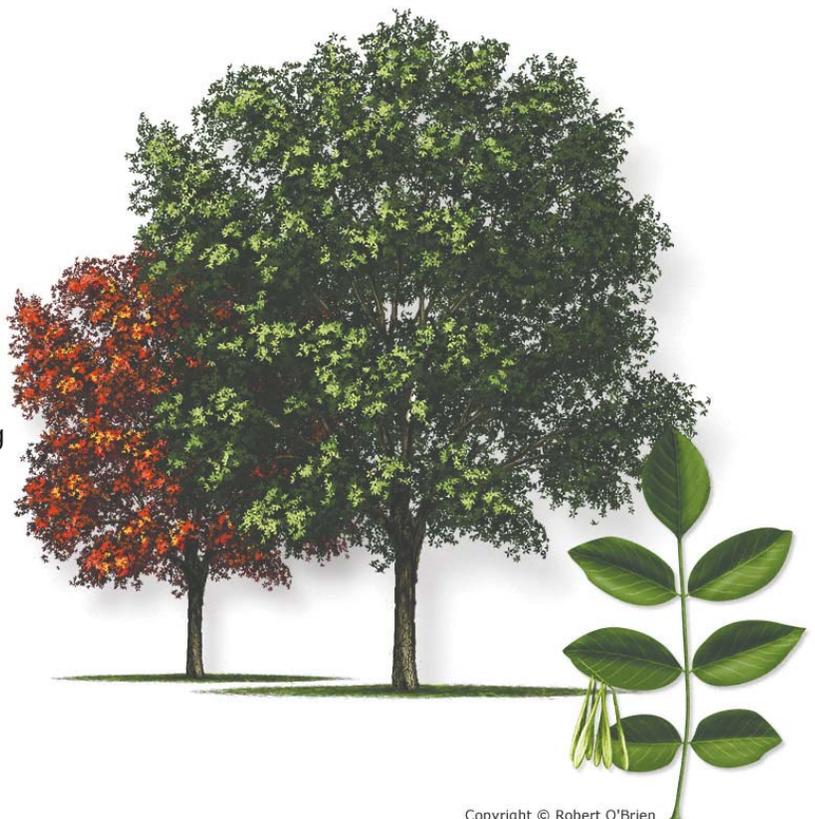
## Wood

Light colored with brown heartwood  
Used for firewood and flooring

## Notes

Emerald Ash Borer is a threat to all ash species and has been recently discovered in Texas

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