

Quercus rubra Northern Red Oak



Category: Deciduous, broadleaf, large tree

Hardiness: Zone 5-8a

Foliage: Alternate, simple, oblong, eight to nine ascending lobes, sinuses between lobes extend halfway to mid rib, toothed lobes end in a bristle tip; dark green; turn yellow to brownish red in fall; showy fall color

Bark: Smooth grayish brown when young; matures dark gray to blackish brown; marked with horizontal light gray lines; develops shallow vertical fissures and rounded ridges

Shape: Round, dense crown, symmetrical

Mature Size: 60-70ft tall 50-60ft wide

Growth Rate: Fast

Shade: Full Sun tolerates part shade

Adaptability: Good choice for urban area, tolerates air pollution, drought; holds up well in urban environments with low failure rate, roots can heave sidewalks

Native Habitat: From Eastern United States to coastal to Minnesota down through Arkansas and into Texas

Uses: Large parking lot island, large shade tree, specimen, lawn trees, median strips, naturalizing

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