

Quercus imbricaria

Shingle Oak

Zone: 5-8

Height: 60'

Width: 70'

Crown: Pyramidal, then oval, round

Growth: Slow

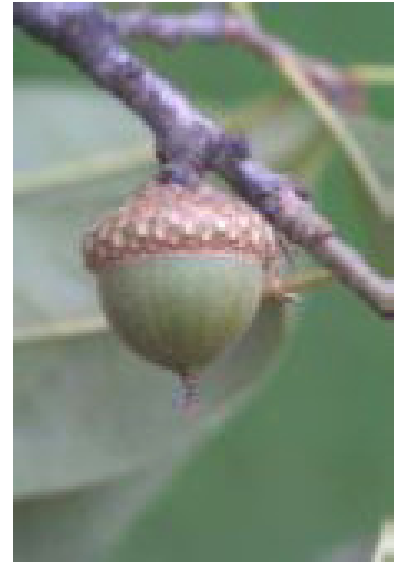
Soil: Clay, loam, sand

pH: Acid, slightly alkaline

Drought: High tolerance

Drainage: Well drained, some flooding

Breakage: Resistant



Shingle Oak is native to the Mississippi Valley and the Appalachians. It's name comes from the fact that the durable wood was split for roofing shingles. It becomes very large, with heavy, strong lateral branching. The canopy is fairly dense and give off heavy shade. Leaves have a reddish tinge in the spring, turn dark green at maturity and in fall become yellow and rust. Some leaves hang on the tree until spring. Shingle Oak may not be the best tree for heavy urban areas, but will work fine where conditions are not so harsh. Found naturally near streams and on wet ground, Shingle will take extended flooding, but also will withstand drought.

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