

Quercus ellipsoidalis

Northern Pin Oak

Zone: 4

Height: 50'

Width: 50'

Crown: Pyramidal

Growth: Moderate

Soil: Clay, loam, sand

pH: Acid, slightly alkaline

Drought: Moderate

Drainage: Well drained, some flooding

Breakage: Resistant



Native of the upper Midwest, this tree is found along stream banks and swamps. It will take the harsh conditions in cities including compaction. It will also grow in slightly alkaline soils. But this is a plant to really take advantage of a very wet site. It will thrive where most will die. It is reported that this tree tends to throw double



leader, so be sure to prune those out. It may take quite a bit of pruning to get this one into sound structural form. Because the root system is so shallow, any kind of tilling earth moving around the tree may injure the roots. They are not tolerant of this activity and the roots rot rather quickly. Tree failure could be the result. Robinson Nursery offers Northern Pin Oak as #3 Grow Ready™ liners.