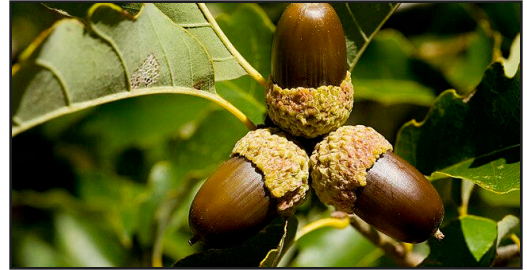


Chinkapin Oak (*Quercus muehlenbergii*)

★ Texas Native



Mature chinkapin oak nestled in a lush landscape



Leaves & Acorn



Bark

OVERVIEW

Chinkapin oaks are stately, native oak trees in the white-oak group. Their distinctive saw-toothed leaves, attractive light gray bark, and abundant shade make them a popular choice for North Texas landscapes. Their fall color runs yellow-bronze and the acorns are especially prized by wildlife.

They thrive in our region's limestone-heavy, alkaline soils, and they tolerate drought well once established. Because they are white oaks, chinkapin oaks are comparatively less susceptible (though not immune) to oak wilt, which is a plus for long-term resilience.

PROS

- ✓ Chinkapin oaks grow quickly, especially when they are young.
- ✓ Because it is a white oak, chinkapin oaks are generally less susceptible to oak wilt.

CONSIDERATIONS

- ⊖ Chinkapin oaks can grow to be quite large: 50–90 ft. tall and 20–40 ft. wide.
- ⊖ Acorn drop can be a nuisance near patios, pools, and walkways.