Quercus coccinea

(scarlet oak)

Scarlet oak got its name from the fall coloring. This tall and deciduous tree is native to the United States. When young the canopy is more pyramidal but later on it turn to be open and rounded. Its one of the fastest growing oak species. The deeply lobed leaves turn bright red in the fall and the acorns are eaten by wildlife. It preferes full sun and well drained soil.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Chêne

Arabic Name: سنديان شاك الورق

Pronounciation: KWERK-us kock-SIN-ee-uh

Plant Type: Tree

Origin: North america

Heat Zones: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 Hardiness Zones: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 Uses: Specimen, Shade, Wildlife

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast **Tree Shape:** oval

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular Canopy Density: Medium Canopy Texture: Coarse Height at Maturity: 15 to 23 m

Spread at Maturity: 10 to 15 meters **Time to Ultimate Height:** 20 to 50 Years

Notes

In the landscape, scarlet oak is best grown as a shade tree for naturalistic landscapes, parks or

large gardens.

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistance: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple
Leaf Blade: 10 - 20
Leaf Shape: Oval
Leaf Margins: Parted
Leaf Textures: Glossy
Leaf Scent: No Fragance
Color(growing season): Green
Color(changing season): Red

Flower

Flower Showiness: False Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Spike

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragance Flower Color: Yellow, Brown

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally

resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk Trunk Esthetic Values: Fissured

Fruit

Fruit Type: Acorn
Fruit Showiness: True
Fruit Size Range: 1.5 - 3
Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes
Heat Tolerant: No
Drought Tolerant: Yes
Salt Tolerance: Moderate

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand **Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral **Water Requirements:** Moderate, Low

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No **Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to

develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: Yes

Surface Rooting: No Life Span: More than 50

Edible Parts:

Pests: Caterpillars, Scales, Aphids, Leaf Miner

Plant Propagations: Seed

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