

QUERCUS PRINUS (pronounced KWERK-us PRY-nus)

Common names: Chestnut Oak, Rock Oak, Basket

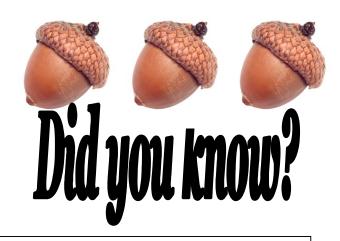
Oak

Family: Fagaceae (Beech Family)

Order: Fagales

Relatives: Beeches, Chestnuts, and Oaks





- The Chestnut Oak typically lives between 300-400 years (1).
- Its common name, Chestnut Oak, comes from its chestnut or brown bark when it reaches maturity (6).
- Also, its common name, Rock oak, is derived from its canny ability to thrive in dryish rocky soils (6).
- Sometimes, people use the caps of acorns being used as buttons (7).
- In 1940, the Chestnut Oak of Suffield, Connecticut, was the first to be nominated on the list of America's biggest trees (8).

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