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*Quercus oglethorpensis*

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**OGLETHORPE OAK** is a deciduous tree. Native to south-eastern United States, it has dark green leaves and dark brown acorns.

It is also known as *Chêne d' Oglethorpe* (French), Oglethorpensis oak, Oglethorp oak, and Oglethorp's oak.

The flowers are pollinated by the wind.

It is considered to be threatened in the state of Georgia in the United States.

*Oglethorpensis* is derived from the name of a County in the State of Georgia in the south-eastern United States, Oglethorp, where this species was found. It was discovered in Oglethorp County and first described in 1940 by a highly respected American botanist, Wilbur Howard Duncan, who was a professor at the University of Georgia. The County name commemorates the founder of the first settlement at Georgia and the city of Savannah, an Englishman, General James E. Oglethorpe (1696-1785).

This oak has been cultivated as a shade tree.

Songbirds enjoy eating the acorns.