Stonegate Gardens

Forest Green Oak

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Quercus frainetto 'Schmidt Forest Green'

Height: 50 feet Spread: 30 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Hungarian Oak

Description:

A tall and stately hybrid oak with a symmetrical upright-oval habit of growth, ideal as a focal point in home landscapes; a majestic shade tree, extremely tough and adaptable, faster growing than other oaks

Ornamental Features

Forest Green Oak has dark green deciduous foliage on a tree with an oval habit of growth. The glossy lobed leaves turn brown in fall. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up.



Forest Green Oak Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Forest Green Oak is a dense deciduous tree with a shapely oval form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting squirrels to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Messy

Forest Green Oak is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade
- Vertical Accent

Planting & Growing

Forest Green Oak will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 300 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

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This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.