



Springboro Tree Farms

ENJOY THE SWEET LIFE!

White Oak

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Quercus alba*

FAMILY: Fagaceae

ORIGIN: Eastern and central North America

Quercus alba, the White Oak, is one of the preeminent hardwoods of eastern and central North America. It is a long-lived oak, native to eastern and central North America and found from Minnesota, Ontario, Quebec, and southern Maine south as far as northern Florida and eastern Texas.



One of Springboro Tree Farms' most important forestry objectives is the natural regeneration of White Oak Trees. To achieve that goal we control invasive plants and thin the less valuable trees to create openings and opportunities for white oak to grow naturally. We also plant white oak seedlings.

But patience is a virtue for sure since it takes two to three

hundred years to grow a white oak that is 3 feet in diameter. There are a few of those here. We call them our legacy trees. And we will never harvest those unless they start to die. There's one of those off the southeast corner of the sugar shack for you to enjoy the next time you visit the Farm.



By the way, bourbon barrels are only made from White Oak. And we produce bourbon-barrel-aged maple syrup here at the farm in those white oak barrels. Ask. We probably have one here to show you.