

LOOK FOR SQUARE MIDDLE LOBES ON LEAVES

POST OAK

QUERCUS STELLATA

Post oaks are part of the white oak family. The tree has leaves with 5 lobes. It is a slow-growing and long-lived tree. It can handle drought extremely well, but its roots are very sensitive to disturbance.



SUN: Full sun

FLOWERS:

Separate male and female flowers on the same tree appear at the same time as leaves.

USDA ZONES: 5-9



ID TIPS:

The two middle lobes of the leaves are distinctly square, creating a cross-like appearance.



The acorns are eaten by woodpeckers, blue jays, small mammals and white-tailed deer.

INTERESTING FACT:

The wood is used for railroad cross-ties, posts and construction timbers.

