

# Common oak

Latin name: *Quercus robur*

## Fun facts

• It takes up to 150 years before an oak is ready to use in construction

Maximum:

height: up to 40m

age: up to 1000 years

girth: up to 14.78m

## leaves

around 10cm long 4-5 deep lobed with smooth edges.

## bark

smooth  
silver-brown  
deciduous  
grooves

Oaks  
bear male  
and female flowers  
on one tree



## Where can you find it?

deciduous woods southern & central Britain  
national emblem

## Who lives on this tree?

insect species, birds, (autumn) squirrels,  
badgers, purple hairstreak butterfly

## Uses:

- wine barrels
- firewood
- flooring
- Acorns have also been used to make flour for bread