You found a black oak!





Scientific name: Quercus velutina



"Velutina" refers to the leaves' soft, velvety texture

"Black"
refers to the
dark bark
of mature
trees



In the southernmost U.S. states, black oak is **evergreen!**





Many mammals and birds enjoy acorns as a food source



Over 20 years, one healthy black oak* will capture

*of 15" diameter in size



the CO₂ of 9,101 car miles,



the weight of **69**smartphones in air pollution,



and 1,173 bathtubs of stormwater!











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