

## MATURE BUR OAK



### MATURE SIZE

HEIGHT  
60-80  
FEET

SPREAD  
60-80  
FEET

SHAPE  
ROUND

GROWING CONDITIONS  
WELL-DRAINED SOILS

# BUR OAK

*Quercus macrocarpa* (kwer-koos mak-roh-kar-puh)

### ABOUT:

This large shade tree grows easily in well-drained bottomland soils and in full sun. Its large acorns are an important source of food for squirrels, rabbits, ground squirrels, mice, deer, black bear, wild turkey, wood ducks, flickers, woodpeckers and blue jays. This tree was an important species in the original Great Black Swamp area that once existed in northwestern Ohio.

### LEAF



6-12 inches long; leathery, dark green in summer and yellow-brown in fall

### SEED



1-1.5 inches; acorn cups covered with a mossy scale or bur near the rim

### BARK



Highly ridged and deeply furrowed; light gray color similar to White Oak