

Turkey Foot Oak

Quercus falcata

The Turkey Foot Oak is also commonly known as Southern Red Oak or Spanish Oak. It gets its common name from the shape of the leaf that resembles the track of a Turkey.

Its membership in the red oak family is confirmed by the bristle tips on the leaves.

Even though a common name is Spanish Oak, there is no Oak tree in Spain like it.

The tree is monoecious meaning that it has both male and female flowers in the spring.

The tree can grow in poor soils and tends to be very hardy.

Its large acorns are an important food source for small mammals, deer, turkeys, and Bobwhite birds.



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