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The willow-like leaves give this oak its name. 2-4 inches long and lance shaped, the leaves have a smooth margin and come to a sharp point. In spring the new leaves are yellow, turning to bright green in summer, and back to yellow in autumn.

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The acorns of the willow oak are less than a half inch long and fairly broad. The brown nuts are nearly round and have a shallow cupped cap. A sweet nut, they are usually buried quickly by the squirrels.

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The bark is generally smooth, dark gray to reddish brown, becoming furrowed with age. The willow oak is not the largest of oaks, but the rounded crown is often full and the foliage dense.

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Like its namesake the willow, this oak grows well near water sources and on swampland. The willow oak has a shorter leaf than its close relative, the shingle oak.

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