Swamp White Oak (Quercus bicolor)

Origin: Native.

Status in Park: Rare; bottomland forest and moist upland flats.

<u>Characteristics</u>: Large trees up to 100 feet tall, 4 feet in diameter; crown rounded and broad; bark grayish brown, furrowed, becoming flaky; flowers drooping catkins; fruits are acorns, 1 to 1 ½ inches long, usually in pairs, each on a 1-inch stalk.

<u>Leaves</u>: Alternate, simple; blade up to 6 inches long; shallowly lobed; dark green and smooth on upper surface, whitish and softly hairy beneath.





Location of tagged tree:



White-centered symbol indicates leaves are too high to be easily seen.

<u>Notes</u>: Wood is hard and heavy. This is a valuable timber species, being used for high-quality lumber, furniture, cabinets, and flooring, for example.