TAYLOR'S
LANDSCAPE SUPPLY & NURSERY

Live Oak

Quercus virginiana

Plant care guide



SUN
Full sun (takes part shade)

WATER
Low once established

MATURE SIZE
50–80 ft tall, 60–100 ft wide

BLOOM TIME
Evergreen · catkins not showy

USDA ZONE
7b–10b · fits 8b/9a

Planting	**Best in fall.** Dig 2–5× as wide as the root ball, no deeper; set it level or 2–4 in. high in poor drainage. Give it room: the crown spreads wide and it can form large surface roots.
Watering	**First months:** keep the root ball moist, not soggy. **Established:** very drought tolerant; grows faster with a soak in dry spells.
Soil & Mulch	Sand, loam or clay, acidic or alkaline. 2–4 in. of mulch, off the trunk. Ask us about Taylor's soil and mulch.
Fertilizer	**Water, not food, matters most at first.** Feed only if growth is weak or a soil test calls for it; use slow-release.
Pruning	**Train it young.** Remove extra trunks and narrow-angled branches early for a strong frame.
Lowcountry Tip	The Lowcountry classic: among the most wind-resistant trees, with high salt-spray tolerance. Leaf galls look odd but are harmless.