

## 2008 PLANTS OF THE YEAR

***Sabal minor***

**Common Name:** Dwarf Palmetto

**Zones:** North, Central and South

**Mature Height and Spread:** 4' - 6' tall and 4' - 6' wide

**Classification:** Shrub, palm

**Landscape Use:** Mass, specimen, under planting

**Characteristics:** A durable, cold-tolerant, Southeast native, this palm is small and drought tolerant with fan shaped fronds. The foliage is green to blue-green. Long stalks of fragrant white flowers grow in late spring or early summer, producing small black fruits enjoyed by wildlife. It grows well in a wide range of soil types and light conditions. The dwarf palmetto usually appears trunkless due its subterranean trunk, and adds a great native touch when a small-scale plant is needed.

**Propagation:** By seed



***Quercus geminata***

**Common Name:** Sand Live Oak

**Zones:** North, Central & Northern areas of the South zone

**Mature Height and Spread:** Typically 20- - 30' tall and 15' - 20' wide; can reach 50' - 60' inland.

**Classification:** Tree

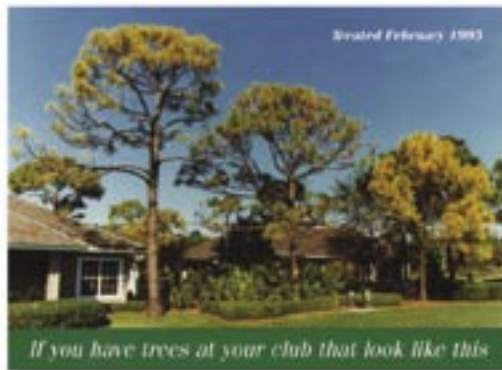
**Landscape Use:** Street tree, specimen, dune restoration

**Characteristics:** Similar to southern live oak but smaller in stature, this salt-tolerant and drought-tolerant, Florida native tree has an irregular growth habit and spreading canopy. Some forms are tree-like and some may form a thicket. The dark green cupped leaves are distinctly boat-shaped with a whitish grey underside. The acorns are sought by wildlife. The Sand Live Oak has proven severe storm durability, making it an ideal tree for Florida's sometimes stormy environment.

**Propagation:** By seed



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