

PREVENT OAK WILT



PROTECT · PRUNE · PAINT

Oak Wilt is a fungal infection that can kill oak trees. Any oak tree can get infected but Live Oaks are at a greater risk of infection.

HEALTHY LIVE OAK LEAVES



Escarpment Live Oak
Quercus fusiformis



LEAVES WITH SYMPTOMS OF OAK WILT

Live Oak leaves will often develop yellow veins that eventually turn brown. Leaf edges might also turn brown.



33.8

MILLION
trees grow in the Austin!

2.96

MILLION
trees in Austin
are Live Oaks

75

FEET PER YEAR
is how quickly Oak Wilt can
spread through tree roots

GET THE FACTS
OAK WILT CAN BE TREATED

HOW TO PREVENT OAK WILT

PROTECT

Do you have oak trees? They could be susceptible to Oak Wilt. Oak Wilt spreads from infected trees to healthy trees through underground root connections. If Oak Wilt is nearby you may be able to protect your tree with a fungicide injection. Talk to your neighbors about Oak Wilt, when you work together you can save more trees.

PRUNE

Does your oak need pruning? Be sure that you or your landscape professionals sanitize tools and paint each cut. Clean pruning tools with an aerosol disinfectant or 10% bleach solution. Paint all pruning cuts immediately.

PAINT

Most trees don't need to be painted after pruning, but you should immediately paint wounds on oak trees year round. Any type of paint can mask the smell of the fresh wound from the beetles that carry the Oak Wilt fungal spore.

Learn more about oak wilt and find a Qualified Arborist at TexasOakWilt.org.

GET INVOLVED

Visit AustinTexas.gov/OakWilt to:

- View map of Oak Wilt infection areas
- Request yard signs to raise awareness of Oak Wilt
- Request a neighborhood presentation
- Get started on a Neighborhood Oak Wilt Partnership



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