

A Must-Have California Native Plant!

Black Oak

Quercus kelloggii



Description: **Black Oaks** are medium-sized oak trees that grow to be 30-80 feet tall. As they drop their leaves in the fall, they nourish the soil and provide shelter for caterpillars.



Light: Full Sun / Part to Full Shade



270 species of butterflies and moths can lay eggs on this plant.



Fun Fact: *“Oaks support more life forms and more fascinating interactions than any other genus in North America.” Doug Tallamy*



Featured Moth: The ***Polyphemus Moth*** has bold markings resembling eyes, meant to confuse predators. The male has large feathery antennae that can detect the female from several miles away.

Keystone Plant: This California native is a “must have” (host) plant for caterpillars, which, in turn, are the “must have” food for baby birds.

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