Red Oak

Quercus rubra

Common name	Red Oak
Scientific name	Quercus rubra
Family	Fagaceae
Ithan Valley Park GPS coordinates	40 00.739N, 75 21.336W
Native range	Northeastern US and Southeast Canada
Leaves	Alternate. 4.5 to 8.5" long with 7 to 11 lobes. When fully grown leaves are normally dark green, can be a yellow green. In autumn leaves turn a rich red, sometimes brown
Flowers	Pistillate flowers are solitary or occur in two- to many- flowered spikes that develop in the axils of the current year's leaves.
Bark	On young stems, smooth; older bark develops wide, flat- topped ridges and shallow furrows. The shallow furrows form a pattern resembling ski tracts.
Additional Information	The fruit is an acorn that occurs singly or in clusters of from two to five, is partially enclosed by a scaly cup, and matures in 2 years



