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## **Quercus palustris 'Swamp Pygmy'**



Height	6 m
Width	5-6m
Crown	round, half-open crown
Bark and branches	twigs olive green, bark grey, smooth to shallow grooved
Leaf	ovate to broad elliptical, roughly lobed, glossy dark green, 10 - 15 cm
Autumn colour	yellow, red
Flowers	golden coloured catkins, May
Fruits	flat-topped spherical, approx. 1 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	preferably fertile, not to limy
Soil moisture	suitable for wet soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5a (-28,8 to -26,1 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, resistant to de-icing salt
Application	industrial areas, small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
Origin	Bömer Tree Nursery, Zundert, the Netherlands, 1986

Slow growing spherical selection with a fairly open growth habit. Depending on the graft height the tree grows to around 6 m. The young twigs are olive green and the older bark and branches are grey. The bark is smooth to shallow grooved. The ovate to broad elliptical leaf is lobed to around halfway along the leaf blade. Like the species, the leaf is somewhat varied, there being shallow-lobed and very deeply lobed leaves. In summer the leaf is glossy green, turning a lovely green-yellow to deep red in autumn. Its compact, irregular, picturesque growth habit makes it very suitable for use in narrow streets, in residential areas and squares. Grows in any soil that is not too limy and can also cope with wet soil. Can tolerate air pollution.