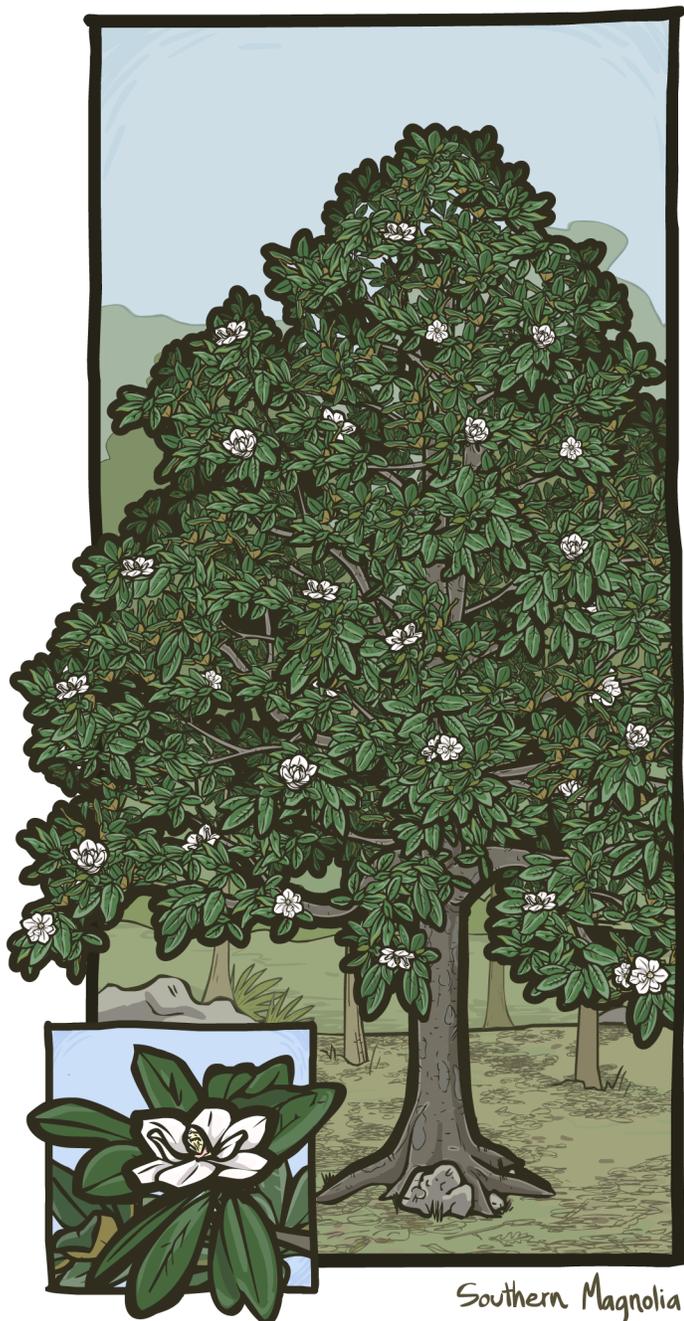


Southern Magnolia

(*Magnolia grandiflora*)



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Instant ID

- An evergreen tree growing over 80 feet tall with large white flowers in spring
- Leaves are waxy and dark green above and fuzzy and red-brown below
- Trunk is smooth and gray in color
- Flowers have a large cone-shaped center which becomes a seed pod
- Seeds are bright red

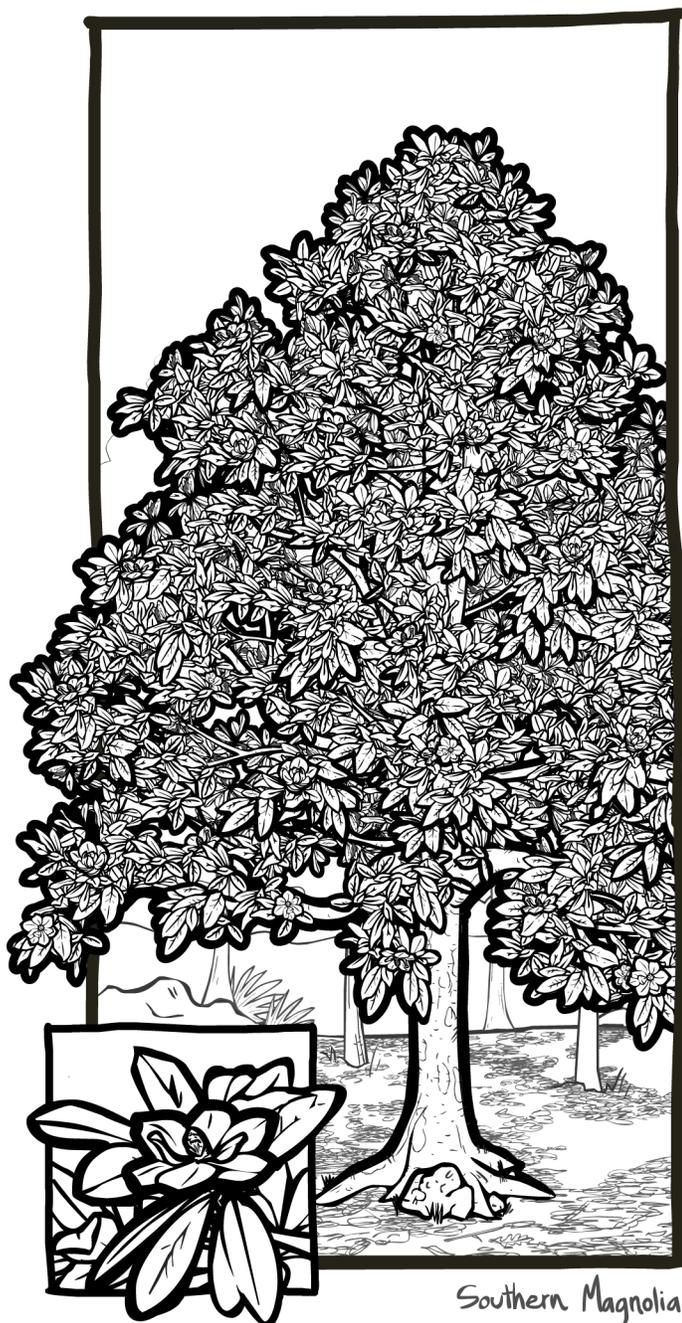
Native Niches

- Found along the Coastal plain from the Carolinas to Louisiana and south to Central Florida
- Grows in moist wooded habitats
- Commonly used as a landscaping tree



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Plant Particulars

- Flowers have an odor similar to a mixture of lemon and citronella
- Leaves are often used in holiday decorations throughout the south
- Leaves can take a very long time to decompose
- Other plants have trouble growing under magnolia because its leaves blanket the ground

Population Protection

- Makes a great landscaping tree in shaded and full sun areas
- Seeds are eaten by birds and mammals
- Fallen leaves provide shelter for invertebrates (animals without a backbone), amphibians and small reptiles

