

ENGLISH OAK (*Quercus robur*)

ALL ABOUT THE ENGLISH OAK

- Oak is one of the hardest woods and is used in many different ways including building, flooring and wine barrels!
- Oak leaves are around 10cm long and have wavy, lobed edges. Oak trees are deciduous so they lose their leaves in the autumn and they regrow again in spring.
- The bark of an oak tree is dark grey with deep furrows in it.
- The fruit of the oak tree is an acorn - they are around 2cm long and they sit in cups on the tree. They are green when they are young, before turning brown as they ripen and they provide food for many animals.
- Oak trees can live up to 1,000 years, and produce up to 10,000 acorns a year.

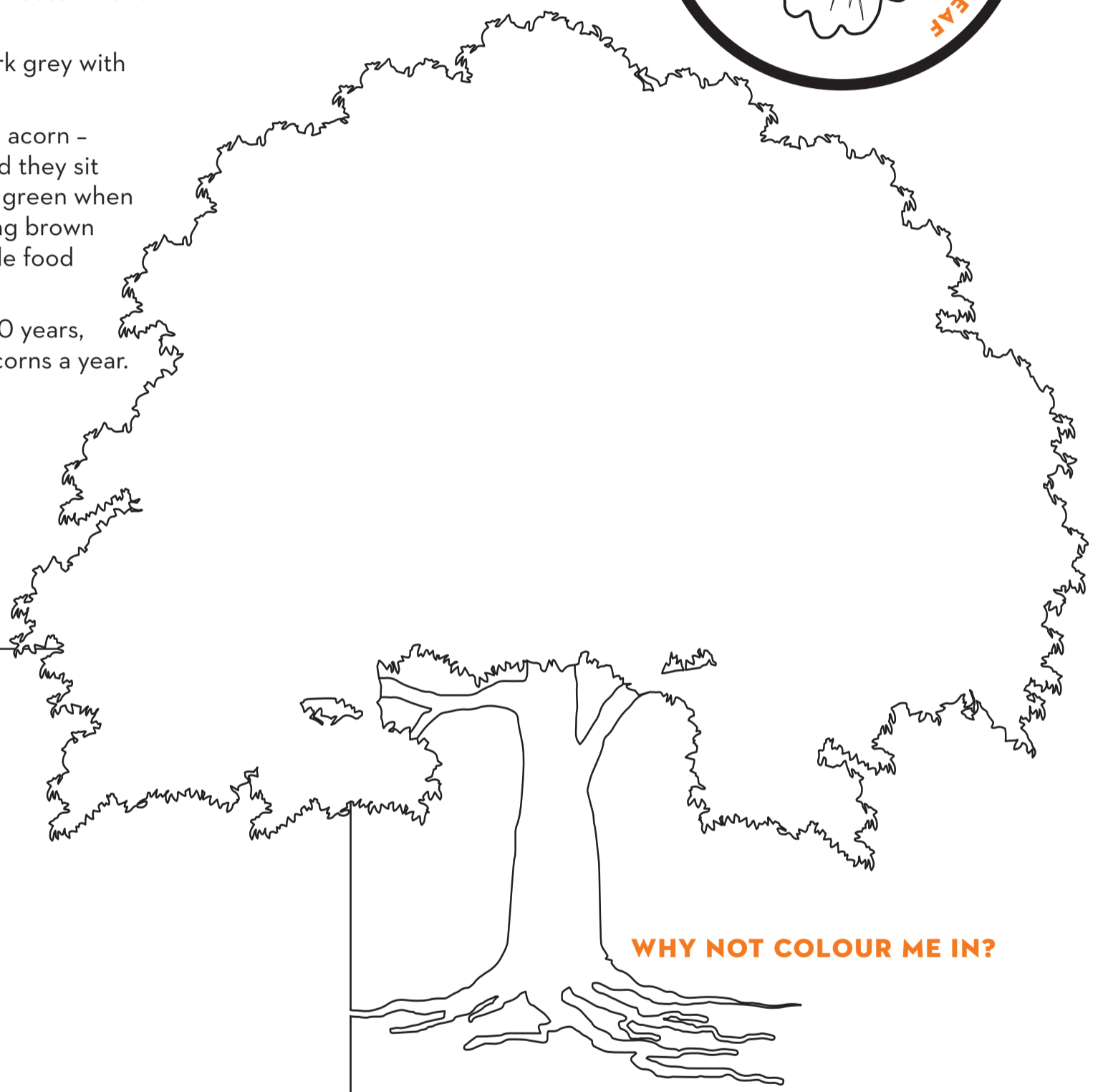


HOW BIG IS IT?

The English oak can grow up to 40 metres tall, and around 15 to 25 metres wide.

WHAT SORT OF LEAVES DOES IT HAVE?

Draw a leaf from this tree here, or why not collect one and stick it here instead?



WHY NOT COLOUR ME IN?

AMAZING FACT

Druids thought that oak trees were sacred and worshipped them, but they are also linked to royalty, who used to wear crowns made of oak leaves. Maybe you can make your own oak leaf crown!

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