

Southwestern US Desert Oaks

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This presentation featured a photo essay of the desert edge areas of the Chihuahuan Desert Region of New Mexico and Trans-Pecos Texas, showing the transition from pure desert grasslands or desert scrub land into the woodland zone where most of the species of oak native to this region can be found. Images showing tree habits and surrounding soil and vegetation were included in the original presentation. The program was designed to give the audience an appreciation of the uniqueness of the genus *Quercus* in this area, and its ability to grow under the strenuous, arid, poor soil conditions. The program is reproduced in considerably abbreviated form, here in *International Oaks*.



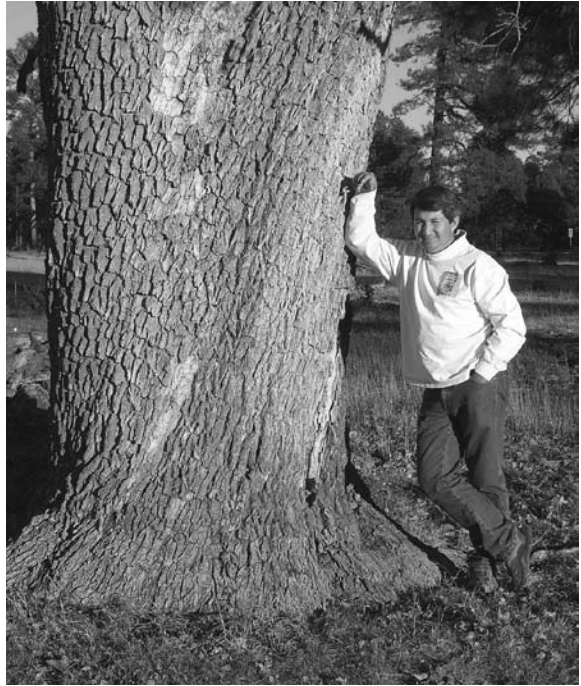
Mexican Oak Woodland



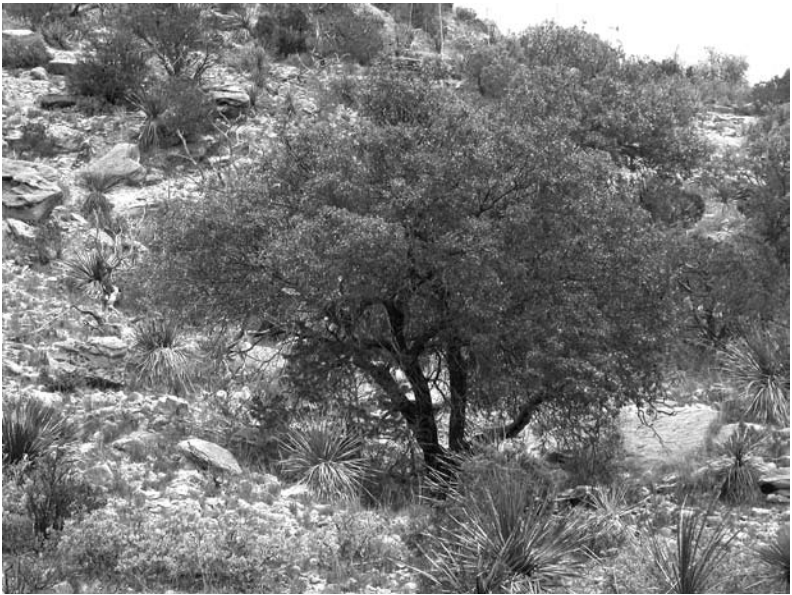
Q. buckleyi habitat



Q. fusiformis – New Mexico



Q. gambelii and author



Q. gravesii – Glass Mountain



Q. hypoleucoides near Emory Pass



Q. pungens and author