

# URBAN LUMBERJACKS

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Here are a couple of ways you can have some fun with regeneration and success for your planting enjoyment.

For Oak propagation, it's best to harvest seeds for planting from nearby Oaks, to better ensure that they are genetically related to each other and are adapted to the environmental conditions of that site. Find some fresh greenish brown acorns without pinholes, remove the acorn caps and place the seed in a jar of water for 12 hours. Remove the ones that float, as they aren't suited to plant. Keep in mind Oaks send out a strong little tap root. So, propagate them in a special planting cell or a deep container.



During the recent storms a Monterey Pine tree split and broke over on a home from irrationally strong winds, so I decided to propagate its seeds to give the tree new life. I found some closed cones and brought them home with me. I preheated the oven to 225 degrees and put them on a cookie sheet for ten minutes until they started to open. I waited a day, tapped them on a plate and out fell the seeds. Another way to do this is microwave them on medium for a few minutes and follow the above, or put them in a black garage bag and let them sit in the hot sun for a few days. I will place the seeds sparingly in 5-gallon containers and keep the soil moist. As the seedling grow, I will cut out competing seedlings. If you propagate on your own remember, don't wait too long to plant your trees in the ground from the containers, so roots don't start swirling in the bucket. We want your trees to establish well so they don't uproot before their time!

