

## *Cerro (Quercus cerris)*

### Scientific classification

Reign: [Plantae](#)  
Division: [Magnoliophyta](#)  
Class: [Magnoliopsida](#)  
Order: [Fagales](#)  
Family: [Fagaceae](#)  
Gender: [Quercus](#)  
Species: **Q. cerris**

### Tree

It is found among the hilly woods, dominated by roverella and carpino and the faggetes mountains. The cerro is not so common in northern Italy, while it's diffused in wide plantation of cerri with tall stem, in central and southern Italy. It is a kind that may arrive to a height of 30-35 ms. It's a great,



**Leaves:** Alternate, with lobed margins, rough, dark green and shiny on the upper page. Base with stipules

**Bark:** Brownish and rough bark with cracks



**Flowers:** Monocytes flowers, the masculines in cylindrical pendulous catkins (long 8 cms.), the females, separately or in groups from 2 to 5, contained in a wrap of scales increasing in the fruit and forming the dome.

**Fruits:** The fruit is an acorn that matures in the second year from the blossom, till 3 cms length, solitary or in groups of 2-4 with very short shank. Visible dome with long and supple scales. Blossom from April to May.

