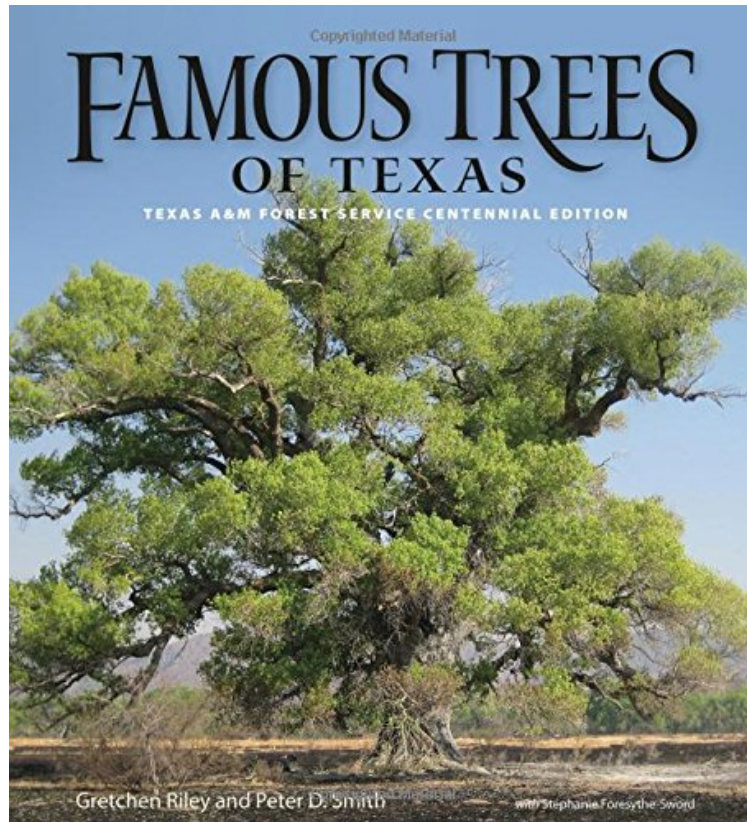


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Famous Trees of Texas was first published in 1970 by the Texas Forest Service (now Texas AM Forest Service), an organization created in 1915 and charged with protecting and sustaining the forests, trees, and other related natural resources of Texas. For the 100-year anniversary of TFS, the agency presents a new edition of this classic book, telling

the stories of 101 trees throughout the state. Some are old friends, featured in the first edition and still alive (27 of the original 81 trees described in the first edition have died); some are newly designated, discovered as people began to recognize their age and value. All of them remain living links to the states storied past.

By virtue of their shade and endurance, trees are most likely to be identified with historic places or events. Thanks to books like the original Famous Trees of Texas and, now, Famous Trees of Texas Centennial Edition, the popularity of these trees and interest in protecting them continues to grow. From the Goose Island Oak near Rockport estimated to be 1,100 years old to the Austin Moon Tree that made a trip to the moon and back, these trees have captivating stories to tell that literally span both space and time. Damon Waitt, Senior Director and Botanist, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center