

“Between every two pines is a doorway to a new world.” - John Muir

The Gifted Tree welcomes you to the virtual world of finding your tree planting location. As you know, someone has planted a gift tree in honor of you or someone you love. Your tree has been or will be planted in the Sandhills region in the southwest corner of North Carolina's Coastal Plain. Your tree will be one of many that will be planted to help restore areas that have been clearcut in the past and are currently barren land.

The overall goal of the project is to restore the longleaf pine ecosystem that was prevalent in this area and the dominant tree species in the southeastern United States. Over the last hundreds of years, the longleaf pine's abundance decreased due to non-sustainable timber harvest, clearing of the land for agriculture and development, and fire. Your project will help promote restorative management and sustainability practices that can help the forest thrive.

The longleaf pine ecosystem is well-known for the incredible diversity of plant and animal species that it supports, many which are endemic only to this habitat such as rare species like the red-cockaded woodpecker and the gopher tortoise. In addition to wildlife, the ecological benefits include protecting the water sources that feed nearby cities.



You can view the general area of your planting by clicking on the following link:

<https://binged.it/3yxJYom>

Once connected to the map, feel free to zoom in and out to get a feel of the general planting area as well as its location in North Carolina, the United States, and the world. The link is best viewed on a personal computer. Please understand that this is the general area of your tree planting. Your tree is planted among thousands of other gift trees and there is no plaque designating your gift tree and visiting the tree is unfortunately not possible.

Enjoy your gifted tree and know that it is making a monumental difference for the earth and opening a new doorway to the world for future generations. If you have any questions, please view our contact information at: www.thegiftedtree.com/contact-us/. If you would like to plant a tree for someone else, please visit our website at www.TheGiftedTree.com.

