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| <p>OAK</p>  |  | <p>Everywhere</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Although it doesn't grow very tall, it can still get quite massive. • Getting it started is the tricky part, though. • Start the fire using softwood, such as pine, to get a base going and then adding oak on top of the fire. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's a very dense hardwood tree, so it burns for a very long time. • Because of its density, it requires continuous high heat to start it burning well. • To be added to a high heat fire |  |  |
| <p>MAPLE</p>  |  | <p>Northern hemisphere</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maple is a deciduous hardwood tree with above average heating values. • Although it is difficult to split, it is efficient and hot-burning. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is difficult to kindle but burns strongly once it gets going. • It also produces very little smoke, which is a huge plus for bonfire parties where a lot of people are going to be gathered around. |  |  |
| <p>CHERRY</p>  |  | <p>Ireland</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Another hardwood, cherry also produces little smoke. • As a fruit tree, it also produces a sweet burning aroma that can be very pleasant on a fall evening. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It doesn't burn as well as other hardwoods • it only burns at medium heat • it's preferable for a night of mild temperature and weather. |  |  |

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| <p>BIRCH</p>  |  | <p>Ireland</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birch trees are known for their unique bark, with several different species in their family. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's a softer wood, meaning that it's a great fire-starter • it burns very quickly & burns very bright and hot, producing the ideal amount of light to cook dinner by. |  |  |
| <p>PINE</p>  |  | <p>Ireland</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because of its high sap and resin content, though, it should only be burned outdoors. • It burns messy – another reason to keep it exclusively as outdoor firewood – and smells great. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Another softwood, pine makes a great fire-starter • Because it burns very quickly, you should not use pine as your only firewood. |  |  |
| <p>ELM</p>  |  | <p>Northern Hemisphere</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elm is a very dense hardwood • It provides decent heat but is notorious for being very difficult to split. • And due to Dutch elm disease, dead elm trees are found pretty much everywhere. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The wood from these standing dead trees can produce good firewood because of how dry the wood is. |  |  |
| <p>CHESTNUT</p>  |  | <p>Ireland</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chestnut is one of the worst hardwoods to use as firewood. • Only use chestnut as supplemental firewood. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It burns and splits easily, but it produces a small flame that burns at a low heat and throws out a lot of sparks and heavy smoke |  |  |