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Eastern Woodland Indians relied on acorns as an important food source. Shelled acorns were soaked in water to remove bitter tannins, dried, and ground into a fine powder. The powder was used to make soup, porridge, and bread.

To find acorns at the Arboretum, follow the Upland Walk. Several species of oak trees grow here; look for plant labels along the path. Oak leaves are lobed, with pointy or rounded tips.

