



Baobabs, with their swollen stems, are easily recognizable. They beautify the landscape in places like Madagascar.

Able to store large amounts of water, in their stems, they are known as a “Tree of Life” because they can help people cope with seasonal droughts.

The fruit of a Baobab tree grows in large pods which are called “money bread” or “cream of tartar fruit.” The fruit is rich in Vitamin C.

One Baobab tree, in South Africa, has a circumference of 47 meters (154.2 feet)! It’s called “Big Baobab” and, inside the trunk of the tree, is a bar which seats 60 people.

This image, by Bernard Gagnon, depicts a Baobab (*Adansonia grandidieri*) in Madagascar.

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