



THE STRANGLER FIG IS A NATIVE TO FLORIDA. THE STRANGLER FIG IS A FREQUENT NATIVE IN THE SOUTHERN HALF OF FLORIDA. THIS TREE WARPS AROUND AND GROWS UP A HOST TREE EVENTUALLY ENGULFING AND KILLING THE HOST. THERE ARE AT LEAST 10 SPECIES OF FICUS IN STATE ONLY TWO OF WHICH ARE NATIVE (WUNDERLIN 1998). THE STRANGLER TREE ONLY OCCURS IN FLORIDA (KRAUSE, 1999). THE STRANGLER FIG CAN GROW 50 FEET TALL. ITS FRUITS STARTS OUT GOLDEN YELLOW TURNING RED TO PURPLE.

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