

# Why Plant Trees?

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Why plant trees? For magic and for mystery!  
Why plant trees? For health and wealth and history!  
Look around you and the living past is near  
Rustling voices we can almost hear  
The planters of the seed who long-since disappeared  
Did they ask, like me...?  
Why plant trees? For magic and for mystery!  
Why plant trees? For health and wealth and history!  
The crunchy nut, the flavorful fruit, the oxygen  
Wood renewable for every one  
Sustenance and riches in the golden Sun  
Far and wide you'll see...  
Why plant trees? For magic and for mystery!  
Why plant trees? For health and wealth and history!  
*A recipe for enchantment  
Climb and dream, swing and sway  
Medicine, power and wonder  
How do they do what they do every day?*  
Do they sense our presence when we gather 'round?  
Is there meaning in their whispering sound?  
Are they telling us a secret so profound?  
It's beyond our reach?  
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