

LeCompte Oaks

Lower Bayou Terrebonne

4523 LA 24/Hwy 55

Bourg, LA

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The first landowner of the property today recognized as the home of the LeCompte Oaks was Etienne Billiot who held a land grant for that area in 1816. The next owners were Jean Baptiste and Seraphine Charpentier Duplantis from 1824-1838. Following the Duplantis family, the Hotard brothers, Agapi & Euphrosin purchased the property between 1838 and 1840.



Euphrosin built a small home, later altered and expanded to include a 65ft. front porch. The original Hotard house built of bousillage construction on the LA 24 property torn down in the 1940s gave way to a more modern home for the large LeCompte family. The old home would have been almost 100 years old having been built by Hotard in 1850. [Autard/Hotard Family Tree](#)

Depending on the size and age of these trees, it is possible that Hotard could have planted the largest of the trees. The 1925 picture above of the old Hotard home shows a large oak to the right of the house. (Courtesy of the Cenac Collection, NSU Archives) The photo reveals the large Live Oaks present therefore the Hotard family would have more than likely planted the larger trees.

Joseph LeCompte purchased the property in 1919 from the daughter of Hotard and her husband. Joseph could have planted the smaller of the trees.



LeCompte Family 1945

The LeCompte family included 10 children, 3 boys, and 7 girls and was very active in the development of the St. Ann Catholic Church in Bourg. They added a pecan grove to the property. Presently owned by Belanger family members, the property was divided into family sections where these beautiful live oaks remain in harmony and as a shelter for their homes. The live oaks are visible from 4539 Hwy 24, Bourg Louisiana. -- Story submitted by Laura Browning.

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