

# Think Of It As A Really, Really Bad Haircut... Which Could Kill You.

**It's called "tree topping"** – the drastic removal of large limbs – and unfortunately, some people still believe it's a good thing. But what they don't know is that topping exposes the tree to disease and decay, leading to the tree's early death. It also permanently destroys the tree's natural shape and beauty, lowering property values. And if a topped tree manages to survive, the new branches that develop often are loosely attached and may become extremely hazardous, resulting in additional maintenance costs and property damage.

You can make sure you get a cut your trees can live with by hiring only professional arborists. To find one near you, and for additional information, call your local forestry agency.

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**DON'T  
TOP YOUR  
TREE**

