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Beale Arboretum News - Winter 2024

A visit to the Beale Arboretum is rewarding at any time of the year and Winter has its own glories on show for all. Be it the varied tree barks often covered in green lichen, or the last of the autumn berries on the trees, there is always something for everyone. In this season, the views across the arboretum open up, showing the shapes and forms of the tree branches whilst emphasising the vistas through the landscape. Certainly, the conifers come into their own when all the deciduous trees have lost their leaves and featured below are a selection with one particular characteristic: pendulous branches.



Picea abies 'Inversa'



Juniperus recurva 'Castlewellan'



Sequoiadendron giganteum
'Pendulum'

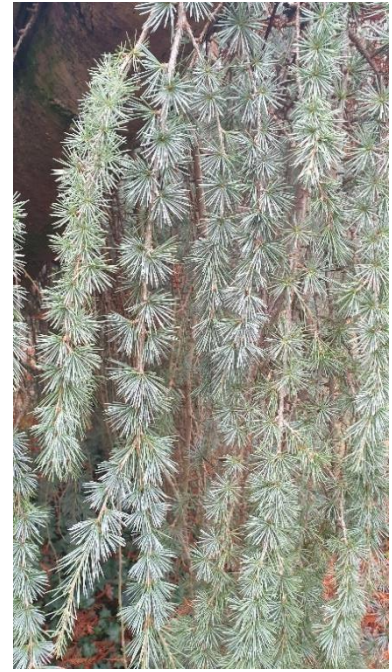




Pinus breweriana



Xanthocyparis nootkatensis



Cedrus atlantica 'Glauca Pendula'

Pendulous trees add an elegant look to any landscape and provide a contrast to the more ascendant branches of other trees. In breezy weather the branches sway back and forth adding movement and life to their appearance.

The garden team continue planting across the arboretum with new and exciting tree and shrub varieties purchased from specialist nurseries across the country. New selections of trees for the three National Collections, some very rare, have been sourced, and these too will be planted in suitable spots during this planting season.



Fun Fact:

Not all trees are either Deciduous or Evergreen. A few are Marcescent where the leaf withers and turns brown but does not fall off the tree. Beech, Hornbeam and some Oaks are classic types where this happens. The leaves are shed in the spring.

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If you are interested in putting together a group for a **guided tour** of the Beale Arboretum, please contact Jane Gray- janegray@bealeshotels.co.uk or 020 8216 3904- Tours are free of charge midweek and £3.50 per person at the weekend.

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