



Taxodium distichum 'Pendens'



Height	15-20 m
Width	5-7m
Crown	narrow weeping, light, open crown
Bark and branches	reddisch brown
Leaf	green
Autumn colour	orange, red
Flowers	unremarkable, flowers in March
Fruits	green, brown
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil
Soil moisture	suitable for wet soil, withstand short flood, withstand long flood
Paving	tolerates partial paving
Winter hardiness zone	6a (-23,3 to -20,6 °C)
Wind resistance	fairly
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6)
Application	industrial areas
Shape	clearstem tree, feathered tree, clearstem conifer, specimen conifer

'Pendens' forms a large tree of 18 - 30 m in height. The crown is narrowly pyramidal with short, almost horizontally descending side branches. The tips of the twigs hang down slightly, a typical feature of this cultivar. This gives the tree a somewhat more graceful appearance than T. distichum. The bark is fibrous and becomes slightly twisted in later life, spiralling counterclockwise. The needles are on short shoots, which fall off simultaneously in autumn. Unlike Metasequoia (opposite each other), Taxodium has them scattered on the twig. On the long shoots, the foliage is scaly. The foliage emerges bright green; once mature, it is dark green. The autumn colour is orange-brown. Like the species, the bark is fibrous. This cultivar also tolerates moist to wet soil, which will promote the growth of characteristic knee roots. 'Pendens' is an old cultivar distinguished in 1855 from the typical species T. distichum, from which the tree differs in detail. Hardiness zone: 6a