



Weeping Blue Atlas Cedar

Cedrus atlantica 'Glauca Pendula'

Pine Family (Pinaceae)

Zones: 6-9

Full Sun to Partial Shade

Moderate Water

Location: Childrens Garden, Conifer Garden, Orangerie, Rose Garden

This is a great tree to use in a residential garden, arboretum, or display garden. It also looks very nice cascading over a pond or near a sitting bench. It can be trained, trellised, espaliered and even grown as a bonsai to fit the need and size desired in the garden. Its twisted branch habit gives it year-round interest.

Weeping blue atlas cedar is a slow-growing evergreen, and is one of the true cedars. It grows 10 feet tall and 15 feet wide, with weeping, twisted branches. With its unique weeping habit and steel-blue foliage, this plant makes an eye-catching specimen tree. The height can be determined by training the central leader. If the central leader is unsupported, it will cascade downward.

It grows best in full sun exposure. It will thrive if planted in deep, well-drained but moist soil. Drought tolerant once established. The tree will look best if it is sheltered from strong winds.

The male cones are 2-4 inch reddish-brown catkins. The female cones are 2-4 inch barrel or oval-shaped cones that stand upright on upper branches. The individual seeds inside the cones are winged, which helps them scatter, as the cone breaks apart in the fall. It does take a while for the fruit or cones to form, and sometimes it can take up to 30 years.

