

Bald Cypress

Taxodium distichum



Bark



Shawnee Brave™
With emerging foliage



Cones



Summer ↑ & Fall ↓ Foliage



Stem & Leaf Type: deciduous

Leaf Color: yellowish-green maturing to sage green

Fall Color: russet to orange-brown

Flower Time: male flowers in drooping, 4—5” long panicles in spring

Flower Color: n/a

Fruit: globe-shaped cones which start a green and purple and mature to brown. 1/2—1” across

Light: full sun

Moisture: moist, well-drained to wet

USDA Hardiness

Zones: 4-9

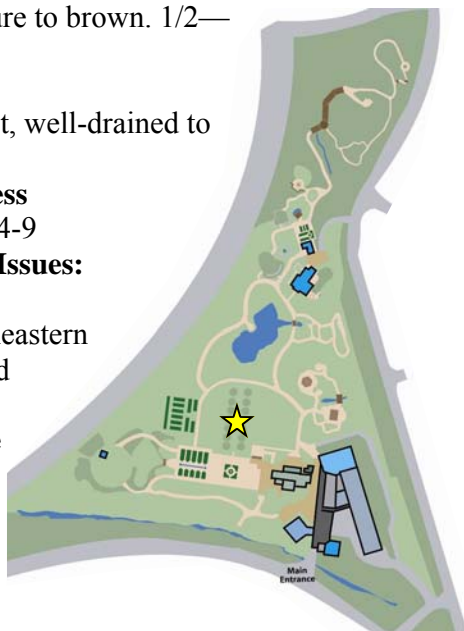
Insect/Disease Issues:

None serious

Nativity: southeastern & central United States

Location in the Gardens:

Bald Cypress Allee



Landscape Value: This highly adaptable tree can be grown in wet, swampy conditions, even in standing water—this is how it is found in its native habitat. It can also be easily grown in dry, upland soils. Plant in full sun. The tree is a slender pyramidal shape with a thick short trunk with branches that grow in horizontally. End branches droop downwards a bit. Grows 70 — 80’ tall; 15 — 20’ wide. Trees will develop knees when placed in consistently wet locations, but they do not form in dry soils. The strong, rot resistant wood is used extensively for a variety of products and trees are remarkably wind steady, rarely blowing over even while rooted in standing water during a hurricane. This deciduous tree loose its needles each fall.

Notes:

Notable cultivars include:

‘Pendens’ - pyramidal form with weeping branchlets

‘Mickelson’ (Shawnee Brave™) - narrow, pyramidal habit

‘Cascade Falls’ - weeping form

Months of Interest:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec