



Quercus pyrenaica 'Pendula'



Height	6 - 10 m
Crown	broad weeping, half-open crown
Bark and branches	grey, grooved, thin pendulous twigs
Leaf	obovate to elongated, green, 10 - 18 cm
Flowers	gold-coloured catkins, late June
Fruits	elongated ovoid acorns, in bundles of 2 to 5, Ø 1.5 - 2.5 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	calcareous, loamy sandy soils
Soil moisture	suitable for wet soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardness zone	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
Wind resistance	moderate
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), resistant to de-icing salt
Application	parks, cemeteries, industrial areas, large gardens
Shape	clearstem tree
Origin	Netherlands, 1876

This weeping variety of *Q. pyrenaica* grows to be a broad tree with very pendulous branches. The crown is half-open. The thin twigs are grey and downy, later smooth and olive-green. The leaves vary in size: 10 - 18 cm long and 3.5 - 10 cm wide. They are covered with yellowish-green felt-like hairs on both sides. The underside remains hairy. The lobes are narrower than those of the species and mostly very deeply incised. The leaves are a somewhat paler green than those of the species. The elongated ovoid acorns are grouped in twos and fours and are half enclosed by the cupule: the latter is covered with long contiguous scales that carry felt-like hairs. Some believe that 'Pendula' is a natural variety and wild populations of *Q. pyrenaica* do include trees with an emphatic weeping shape.