



## **Weeping European Hornbeam**

*Carpinus betulus 'Pendula'*

Height: 50 feet

Spread: 40 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Common Hornbeam

### **Description:**

A graceful and shapely specimen tree, very attractive when the leaves flare yellow then orange in the fall; very densely branched, one of the very best trees for rigid landscape form; adaptable to various soil conditions

### **Ornamental Features**

Weeping European Hornbeam has forest green foliage throughout the season. The pointy leaves turn yellow in fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. The smooth gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Weeping European Hornbeam is a dense deciduous tree with a strong central leader and a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Weeping European Hornbeam is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- Vertical Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening



*Weeping European Hornbeam in fall  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

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### **Planting & Growing**

Weeping European Hornbeam will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 40 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 3 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 120 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

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