

weeping willow [Salicaceae](#) *Salix* *babylonica* auct. non L. p.p. 

symbol: SASE10

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Leaf: Alternate, simple, very narrowly lance-shaped, finely serrated margin, yellow-green above, milky green below, 3 to 6 inches in length, 3/8 to 1/2 inch in width.

Flower: Species is dioecious; males and females appear as upright catkins and are quite fuzzy, 1 inch long, appearing before or with the leaves.

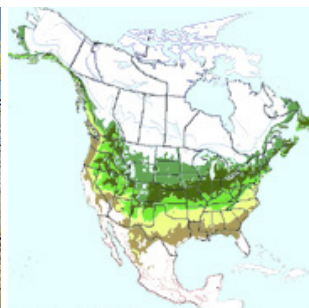
Fruit: A one inch long cluster of valve-like capsules, light brown in color containing many fine, cottony seeds, ripen in late May to early June.

Twig: Very slender, smooth, olive-green to pale yellowish brown, hanging or drooping for long distances, almost rope-like; buds are small, appressed and covered by a single, cap-like scale. Terminal buds lacking.

Bark: Grayish brown and irregularly furrowed.

Form: Easily identified due to their long, graceful branches that sweep towards the ground. Crown is usually round, attaining a height of 40 to 50 feet.

Looks like: [white willow](#) - [black willow](#) - [corkscrew willow](#)



Native to China, planted in zones 6-9.

Additional Range Information: *Salix babylonica* is planted in the [USDA hardiness zones](#) shown above and is not known to widely escape cultivaton.

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