Pisgwydden Gyffredin

Salix babylonica

Gyda siâp cain a gosgeiddig, mae'r Helygen Wylofus yn adnabyddadwy oherwydd ei changhennau nodedig sy'n hongian.

Disgrifiad: Uchder cyfartaledd a lledaeniad yn gallu bod hyd at 15 x 12 medr.

Deiliant: Collddail

Dail: Hir, cul, dail eilydd. Mae ganddynt ochr gwyrdd llachar ar un ochr, a gwyrddlas oddi tanodd.

Brodorol i'r DU: Nac ydi

A wyddoch chi?

- Mae dros 400 o rywogaethau o helygen ar draws y byd.
- Mae rhisgyl a sudd Helygen yn cynnwys sylwedd a enwir yn asid salisylig a oedd yn cael ei ddefnyddio i liniaru poen a gostwng gwres mor bell â'r 5ed ganrif CC yn hen wlad Groeg.
- Mae'r Helygen wedi ysbrydoli llawer o artistiaid, beirdd ac ysgrifenwyr dros y canrifoedd. Ewch i weld ***'Weeping Willow'*** Monet, ***'Willow Song'*** Shakespeare yn ei ddrama 'Othello' ac mewn llenyddiaeth fodern, darllenwch am ***'Whopming Willow'*** yng nghyfres llyfrau Harry Potter.

Weeping Willow

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With its elegant, graceful shape the Weeping Willow is easily recognisable because of its distinctive drooping branches.

Description: Average height and spread up to 15m by 12m.

Foliage: Deciduous

Leaves: Dark green, heart-shaped and Leaves: coarsely toothed, growing between 6 – 10cm in length. They are lopsided and lobed at the base.

Native to UK: No

Did you know?

- There are over 400 species of willow across the world.
- Willow bark and sap contains a substance called say called salicylic acid which was used to relieve pain and lower fever as far back as 5th century BC in ancient Greece.
- Willows have inspired many artists, poets and writers over the centuries. Discover Monet's ***'Weeping Willow',*** Shakespeare's ***'Willow Song'*** in his play 'Othello' and in modern literature, read about the ***'Whomping Willow'*** in the Harry Potter book series.

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