

Checklist of Salix species and hybrids - Beds, Cambs, Hunts, Northants and Peterborough

Species						
Scientific name	Common name	Beds	Cambs	Hunts	Northants & P'boro	Height (m)
<i>pentandra</i>	Bay Willow	VR (planted)	VR (mainly or entirely planted)	VR (planted)	VR (mainly planted)	7 (17)
<i>fragilis</i>	Crack Willow	F	F	C	F	15 (30)
<i>alba</i>	White Willow	C	C	C	C	15 (30)
<i>triandra</i>	Almond Willow	R	R	?	R	10
<i>triandra</i> var. <i>hoffmanniana</i>	Almond Willow	F	F	F	O	4
<i>purpurea</i>	Purple Willow	R	F	F	O	5
<i>daphnoides</i>	European Violet-willow			VR (planted)	R (planted)	8 (12)
<i>viminalis</i>	Osier	F	VC	C	VC	6 (10)
<i>caprea</i>	Goat Willow	C	VC	VC	VC	10
<i>cinerea cinerea</i>	Grey Willow	O	C	VC	O	6 (10)
<i>cinerea oleifolia</i>	Rusty Willow	C	C	F	C	10 (15)
<i>aurita</i>	Eared Willow	VR	VR	VR or Ext	VR	2.5
<i>mysrinifolia (nigricans)</i>	Dark-leaved Willow		VR		VR (planted)	4
<i>repens</i>	Creeping Willow	Ext	VR	VR		1.5

Common hybrids						
parents	Hybrid name	Beds	Cambs	Hunts	Northants & P'boro	Height (m)
<i>alba x fragilis</i>	<i>x rubens</i>	?	F	O	F	
<i>alba x babylonica</i>	<i>x sepulcralis</i>	C, gardens	C, gardens etc.	C, gardens	C, gardens	
<i>babylonica x fragilis</i>	<i>x pendulina</i>	O, gardens	O, gardens	O, gardens	O, gardens	
<i>cinerea x viminalis</i>	<i>x smithiana</i>	O	F	O	F	
<i>caprea x cinerea x viminalis</i>	<i>x calodendron</i>	R?	R-O	O	R?	
<i>caprea x cinerea</i>	<i>x reichardtii</i>	R	F	R?	O	
<i>caprea x viminalis</i>	<i>x sericans</i>	O	F	R?	R?	

C - common

F - frequent

O - occasional

R - rare

V - very

Ext - extinct

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Rare hybrids						
parents	Hybrid name	Beds	Cambs	Hunts	Northants & P'boro	Height (m)
<i>purpurea x triandra</i>	<i>x leiophylla</i>				VR	
<i>purpurea x viminalis</i>	<i>x rubra</i>	R	R	VR	VR	
<i>cinerea x purpurea</i>	<i>x pontederiana (x sordida)</i>				VR	
<i>aurita x cinerea</i>	<i>x multinervis</i>	VR	VR	R	Ext	
<i>aurita x viminalis</i>	<i>x fruticosa</i>	Ext		VR	Ext	
<i>aurita x caprea</i>	<i>x capreola</i>	VR	VR		VR	
<i>caprea x myrsinifolia</i>	<i>x latifolia</i>		VR			
<i>cinerea x purpurea x viminalis</i>	<i>x forbyana</i>		VR			
<i>cinerea x repens</i>	<i>x subsericea</i>		VR	VR or Ext		
<i>fragilis x pentandra</i>	<i>x meyeriana</i>		R			
<i>fragilis x triandra</i>	<i>x alopecurioides (x speciosa)</i>		VR			
<i>alba x pentandra</i>	<i>x ehrhartiana</i>		VR (planted)			
<i>triandra x viminalis</i>	<i>x mollissima</i>		VR	R		

- 1 Nomenclature follows *New Flora of the British Isles*, 2nd ed. (C.Stace, 1997 CUP). In some cases older names appear in brackets after the Stace name.
- 2 Willows and osiers are widely planted so the status of any individual of any species is open to question. Some species or hybrids may be entirely of planted origin in a county but it is usually impossible to be certain about this.
- 3 Most hybrids are likely to be under-recorded.
- 4 Height given is usual maximum height with extreme given in brackets following.

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