

Silk-tassel*Scientific:* Garrya elliptica*Primary category:* Shrub*Habitat:* Brushfields, Dunes and beaches*Description (by Bosky Dell Natives):*

From the coastal bluffs and hills of southwestern Oregon comes a superb dense evergreen shrub, much loved by gardeners. May grow to 20 ft. in westside gardens. Garrya has attractive gray - green, leathery leaves.

In winter, the pendant male catkins elongate, forming long eye-catching chains of creamy flowers. Female plants produce shorter, less attractive catkins, so be sure to purchase a male plant if buying for the showy flowers.

Sun/part sun, well-drained soil, some summer water ok once established.

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