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The contortions of the Corkscrew Willow is the most notable feature; even the leaves are curled and twisted. Like many willows the leaves are alternate and narrow, coming to a slender point.

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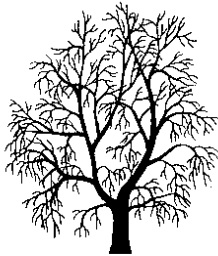
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The Corkscrew Willow is a cultivated variety of the Pekin or Hankow Willow. The catkins grow upright, about one inch long, and open in late April.

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The younger shoots being more flexible exhibit the greatest degree of twisting, but all components of the tree, its stems and branches, are dramatically contorted.

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The contorted twisting of the branches, the stems and the leaves of the Corkscrew Willow make it a central specimen in many gardens. A tree of moderate size it grows to 30 feet, occasionally up to 50 feet high. Its contortions make this tree an attraction especially in wintertime.

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