

## **Bloedel Plant Pick**

## January 2022

Latin Name: Garrya elliptica

Common Name: Silk Tassel

Family: Garryaceae

Type: Evergreen Shrub

Origin: Southern Oregon and California

Location at Bloedel Reserve: Gatehouse, Rhododendron Glen, Bluff Trail

## Garden Uses: Hedge



**Fun Fact:** A low maintenance evergreen shrub that is also deer resistant! The Silk Tassel is a great border plant for anyone's garden, coming alive this time of year with its pendulous blooms and wavy evergreen leaves. In the spring, the delicate strings of flowers turn a pale, silvery color. The specific epithet, *elliptica*, is derived from the Greek meaning 'twice as long as broad'.

