

BLACK CAT®

Salix sp. 'Lubber's Zwart'
USPP 27,403, CBRAF
Common name: pussywillow



Landscape Info:	
USDA/AHS zones:	USDA 4/AHS 7
Mature height:	10-12'/3.0-3.6 m
Exposure:	Full sun
Irrigation:	Average to high

Features & Benefits:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extra large catkins start out pink-silver and open to deep, velvety black. - Ideal for spring sales and cut flowers. - Pair with forsythia to set off color. - Prune yearly to maintain best catkin production.



Cultural info:		
pH Level:	5.6 - 6.2	
Nutrient Needs:	Average	
EC (2:1 extract):	0.6-0.9	
Light Level:	Moderate to high	
Watering:	Moderate to high	
Rooting Out Temp:	65 – 72° F/18.3 – 22.2° C	
Overwintering Temp:	Polyhouse, no heat	
Sales Window:	Late fall or early spring	
Blooms On:	Old wood	
Trimming/pruning:	Trim 1-3 times	
Vernalization:	Required	
Vigor Rating:	Average to High	
Finish Size	Liner Size	Weeks of Active Growth to Finish
1 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	10-14 • 9-13 • 8-12
2 - 3 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	16-20 • 14-18 • 12-16

Grower Tips:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easy to grow and adaptable, tolerant to wet feet • Trim 1-2 times after potting to develop a good branching structure, stop trimming by late summer to allow buds to set for winter • Trim hard after flowering in spring to encourage strong flush • Watch for aphids and spider mites throughout the growing season
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