

Star Plants for Winter Beauty

3 Sacred bamboo *Nandina domestica*

This native shrub of Japan is traditionally grown by the front door of houses to ward off evil spirits. It grows in several places throughout the Heather Garden and is truly a plant for all seasons. Decorative evergreen leaves are tinged purple in spring and autumn, white flowers open in the summer and attractive clusters of orange red berries are provided throughout the winter months.



6 Dogwood *Cornus sanguinea* 'Midwinter Fire'

A form of the native hedgerow species, the mature stems of this shrub show orange and red throughout the winter months with younger shoots colouring purple-pink. It can be found growing by the edge of Peg's Pond and also within the Bog Garden.



8 Himalayan birch *Betula utilis* var. *jacquemontii*

Originating from North India, Kashmir and Nepal, this tree is amongst the most stunning varieties of birch due to its striking white stems. Three Himalayan birch stand on the lawn above Thomson's Pond.



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12 Winter flowering honeysuckle *Lonicera X purpusii* 'Winter Beauty'

This is a very free-flowering form of the shrubby winter-flowering honeysuckle, which produces sweetly fragrant, cream-coloured flowers from December through to April. A group of these shrubs grows by the Acer Glade path at the end nearest to Thomson's Lawn.



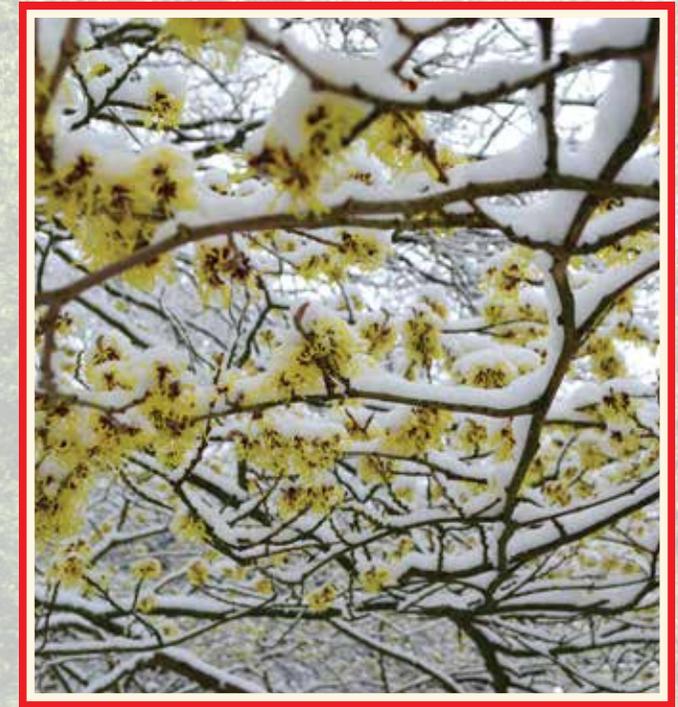
15 Tibetan cherry *Prunus serrula*

This native of China has gleaming polished red-brown mahogany-like bark which peels into curly shreds. One tree is set back on the lawn to the north east of Thomson's Pond. Three other good specimens can also be found in Wilson's Glade. Catch this tree with the sun shining on its translucent flaking bark and it looks like it is on fire.



17 Chinese witch hazel *Hamamelis mollis*

The branches of this handsome pair of large shrubs overhang the path leading from Broomfield Hill Gate. Clusters of large, sweetly fragrant, broad-petalled, yellow tassel-like flowers appear on its leafless branches from December to March. Its large, soft, rounded leaves also colour yellow in Autumn.



Winter Bark, Berry and Flower

Tread Lightly  

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Richmond Park
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1 Scarlet Willow
Salix alba
'Britzensis'
Brilliant orange-scarlet
branches.



4 Cornus sericea
'Flavirimea'
Shoots coloured
yellow
to olive-green.



5 Red-barked dogwood
Cornus alba
'Sibirica'
Brilliant crimson
winter stems.



7 Orangebark Stewartia
Stewartia
monadelph
Incredible flaking tan
orange bark.



The Isabella Plantation
Look for the leaf symbol on the posts as
you move along the path. Use the numbers
next to the leaf to find the description in this leaflet.
Stars are described in the 'Star Plants' section.



2 Winter heath
Erica carnea
Various cultivars flower
in a range of shades
from white to red
throughout winter.



20 Stewartia
pseudocamellia
Attractive peeling
bark in patches of
grey, orange and
reddish brown.



19 Silk tassel bush
Garrya elliptica
Long, greyish-green
catkins in January
and February.



13 Paperbark maple
Acer griseum
Peeling
cinnamon-coloured
bark.



18 Skimmia
japonica
Round red fruits
which persist
through winter.



14 Rhododendron
dauricum
'Mid-winter'
Small purple flowers
appear from
mid to late winter.



16 Autumn Cherry
Prunus x subhirtella
'Autumnalis'
Semi-double white
flowers from
November until March.



9 Young's weeping
birch
Betula pendula
'Youngii'
A beautiful
domed-shaped
weeping birch.



10 Snake-bark maple
Acer tegmentosum
Green bark streaked
with white.



11 Acer rufinerve
'Winter Gold'
Golden orange
bark.

