Weeping Pussywillow Patio Tree







stems to make matic arrangements in your home.

Salix caprea 'Pendula'

- <u>Use</u>: A unique weeping garden accent shrub, typically grafted onto a standard from where it weeps strongly downward, large fuzzy catkins are extremely showy in late winter; use only as a solitary in the garden to draw attention. Weeping Pussy Willow features delicate tan catkins along the branches from late winter to early spring before the leaves. The flowers are excellent for cutting. These would look great flanking the entrance to your home, or by the rear doors opening out onto the patio. They look particularly good displayed in attractive contemporary flared planters.
- Exposure/Soil: Sun or light shade. Tolerant to flooding or poorly drained soils. This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed.
- **Growth:** Grows 12-18' tall. Withstands heavy pruning.
- Hardiness: Zone 4a-8b; Shrub/ Small Tree
- Foliage: Deciduous. Bright green leaves are silver white below for an interesting contrast that turn yellow in fall.
- **Flower:** Each year these carry attractive silvery catkins studded with golden anthers in late winter to spring. In mid- to late spring, the bare branches are covered in 'silver pussies' that turn into golden male catkins, these are superb in cut-flower arrangements.