

At Clue #6, stamp the green box below and return this sheet to the admission desk for your reward!

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Clue 5 \_\_\_\_\_

Clue 6 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Family Walk and Talks

Dig into a greater understanding of the Garden as you and your family participate in hands-on activities highlighting our seasonal collections. These family-friendly programs include a take-home creation!

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# Kid Quest

## Pendulous Trees

Branches on most trees grow up towards the sky so their leaves can get as much sunlight as possible. Have you ever noticed trees with droopy branches that hang down toward the ground? As you visit Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden today, search **Flagler Garden** for plants with drooping branches, which are often called 'weeping' or 'pendulous'.

### Fast Fact!

Some weeping trees have branches that naturally cascade towards the ground as they grow, but others start out upright and begin to droop as their branches get heavier with age.



Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

Grab a Garden Map and start your Kid Quest in the Robins Visitors Center!

# Pendulous Trees

As you enter the Garden, follow the main walkway down the hill and across the Lotus Bridge. On the left, search for a tall evergreen tree with branches that seem to droop and sway towards the ground. They look heavy with needles! Try to spot the brown oval seed cones hanging on the branches.

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

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Turn until you are facing the red brick walkway, which will lead into Flagler Garden (#9 on your Garden Map). After you cross the "Monet" bridge, look to the right to find a short evergreen with drooping branches. Examine the drooping branches up close - what do you see hanging among the short needles?

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

3



At the fork in the brick walkway, follow it to the left until you see a tall weeping tree next to the creek bed. Look closely at the branches to find its small buds. As the weather warms and the days get longer, these buds will open to reveal bright green leaves and small pink blossoms.

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

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As you continue along the brick path, search on the right for a very tall tree with large shiny leaves. These branches are drooping because the tree is getting older and the branches are heavy. Notice how its shape creates a shaded area under the tree - like a secret room with a soil floor!

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

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Keep following the brick walkway, taking your first right at the grassy path that leads onto the lawn. Stop and scan the landscape in front of you, looking for a weeping tree across the lawn. It is umbrella-shaped and will have green fan-shaped leaves this spring. Can you mimic the shape of this tree with your body?

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

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Now look to your right to find steps leading back up to the brick walkway. Stand at the top of the stairs and search for a short evergreen with long slender needles drooping toward the ground. Look underneath the needles to see how the trunk and branches bend horizontally and droop towards the ground rather than growing straight up towards the sun.

**Name the plant on the back of this sheet.**

