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Beale Arboretum News Spring 2025

This has been a remarkably dry start to 2025, in vivid contrast to 2024 which was wet throughout the months of January to June.

In general, the trees in the Beale Arboretum do best in wetter conditions, put on more growth, blossom and fruit more, and are less stressed.



The **Malus** collection always puts on a good show at this time of year, when choosing a malus for your own garden, you need to see them in spring blossom and autumn fruit to be able to make the best decision, so a visit here in late April and late October would be worthwhile.

[pics left and below]



Our Arboretum Consultant **Mark Lane CVO** is as busy as ever with www.elms4london.org.uk his charity aimed at planting disease resistant Ulmus in every green space in London. Here he is with a flourishing Ulmus minor on the top field.

[pic below]



And gardeners **Paul Baynes and Mark Field** are here with Ulmus hollandica 'Vegata'. [pic right]





I am in this photo with a fabulous **spinosa** in the background behind *Ulmus procera*. [pic left]

Our arboriculturalist **Peter Holloway** has completed his lengthy survey of all the trees in the Beale Arboretum and the results are being analysed before being updated to our website, as well as new artwork created for the hotel reception and for the Arboretum brochure. [pic right]



New trees planted over the winter include :

Sciadopitys verticillata
Picea breweriana
Oxydendron arboreum
Sequoia gig. Beautiful Jop
Liquidambar styraciflua
Nyssa sylvatica 'Wisley Bonfire'
Pseudolarix amabilis
Carpinus betulus 'Horizontalis'
Styrax shiraianus

Acer pentaphyllum
Acer 'Jordan'
Acer palmatum 'Orange Dream'
Crytomeria japonica 'Globosa nana'
Calocedrus decurrens
Cupressus sempervirens 'Pyramidalis'
Juniperus chinensis 'Kaizuka'

Arboretum tour dates with Andrew Beale during the 2025 season:

Friday 2nd May
 Tuesday 20th May
 Friday 30th May*
 Thursday 5th June
 Tuesday 17th June
 Friday 4th July
 Wednesday 16th
 Monday 21st July

*Taken by Paul Baynes

Thursday 7th August
 Friday 29th August
 Friday 5th September
 Thursday 11th September
 Tuesday 23rd September
 Thursday 9th October
 Wednesday 22nd October
 Thursday 30th October
 Monday 3rd November

NGS Spring and Autumn Garden Open Days:

Sunday 18th May 2.00- 5.00 (ML/PB/AB/MF/LB)
 Sunday 26th October 1.00- 4.00pm (ML/PB/AB/MF/DT)

Andrew Beale
 Managing Director

If you are interested in putting together a group for a **guided tour** of the Beale Arboretum, please contact Jane Gray- janegray@bealeshotels.co.uk or 020 8216 3904.