

Cedar of Lebanon scientific name *Cedrus Libani*

Cedrus libani is an evergreen coniferous tree growing up to 40 m (130 ft) tall, with a trunk up to 2.5 m (8 ft 2 in) in diameter.

This is a tall evergreen tree which has been prized for its high quality timber, oils and resins for thousands of years. The national emblem of Lebanon, it was famously used to build the Temple of Solomon in Jerusalem, as well as the ships and temples of the Egyptian pharaohs. The resin of the cedar of Lebanon was even used in mummification by the Ancient Egyptians. This conifer usually has a single, thick trunk with many horizontal, spirally arranged branches.

Here you can see two trees planted as a focal point in the landscape on the approach to the Hall. They are likely to be more than 100 years old.

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