SAKHALIN-PIL (SALIX UDENSIS)

– ENDNU EN SMALBLADET PILEART I DANMARK

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Japanese fantail willow (Salix udensis)

– another narrow-leaved willow in Denmark

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SUMMARY

Japanese fantail willow (Salix udensis Trautv. & C.A. Mey., syn.: Salix sachalinensis F. Schmidt) is portrayed (Fig. 1), and its relationships are discussed, as well as its diagnostic characters and distribution (Fig. 2). An introduction to the history and use of Salix udensis in Denmark and Europe is given. In connection with the "Atlas Flora Danica" project approx. 30 specimens of presumed escaped individuals of Salix udensis have been collected throughout most of Denmark. However, only some 3-5 specimens collected on banks, by roadsides and in gravel pits are considered truly escaped. This is due to the fact that all planted material of Salix udensis in Denmark – and Europe – is male (primarily or exclusively Salix udensis 'Sekka', see Fig. 1). Consequently, individuals of Salix udensis may only escape in areas where soil containing stumps or rooting branches has been added, digged or rooted recently.