

## INTERNATIONAL CAMELLIA SOCIETY (ICS) APPLICATION FORM FOR AWARDS FOR HISTORIC ORNAMENTAL CAMELLIA TREES

# **Introductory Information for Applicants**

This form is to be used by applicants seeking a global award from the ICS for Historic Ornamental Camellia Trees. These awards may be given in **either** of two categories:

- 1. An Individual Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree, or
- 2. A Collection of Historic Ornamental Camellia Trees (comprising less than 50 individual specimens):

These Awards have been introduced as an instrument promoting global conservation of such Camellia trees. The Awards stand until the death of the tree or trees. These Awards also cover historic potted specimens including bonsai or penjing. Such trees may or may not be growing in the country where the cultivar originated. The ICS recognises that in many locations across Asia, there will be indigenous ancient Camellia trees where it is unclear whether it is a native forest remnant or has been cultivated or cared for by local communities. In such circumstances, the applicant as owner or custodian of the tree is free to determine whether it is a Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree.

To qualify for such an Award, six criteria must be met by the tree or trees under consideration.

- 1. Must meet Specification for Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree or Trees;
- 2. Age of Tree(s) has been supported by Standards of Measurement and Records;
- 3. Report provided on Standards of Measurement and Records, supplying as much data as can reasonably be collected;
- 4. Quality photographs submitted of tree, foliage and flower (and desirably seed);
- 5. Details of any Conservation Plans in Place; and
- 6. Promotional Strategy to relevant Horticultural and Heritage Associations.

# If you wish to proceed with this application, please fill in all fields as follows (with a supporting summary report if required):

#### a. Taxonomy of Tree(s)

Please supply species or hybrid classification and (if known) cultivar name, eg. *Camellia japonica* 'Alba Plena', *Camellia reticulata* 'Danamao', *Camellia sasanqua* 'Narumigata', Camellia *x. williamsii* 'Donation'.

For multiple trees, please provide separate list of all individual specimens.

Taxonomy

# b. Country of Location, Name and Contact Details of Applicant (Owner or Custodian)

Country Location of Tree(s)

Name of Applicant (Owner or Custodian)

Address of Applicant

**Telephone Contact** 

**Email Contact** 

## **CRITERION 1: Specification for Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree**

Please indicate by X (on left margin) which of the following apply (at least **two of the criteria** must be met):

- Be > 100 years old of a unique and/or original specimen of a cultivar and species, or of lesser age\* when taking into account the exceptional age of the plant. \*This applies to those horticultural cultivars and specimens with a shorter life span than 100 years;
- 2) Historicity must wherever possible be supported by documentation;
- 3) Represent a special planting marking a historic event or planted by a special person;
- 4) Be the original mother plant of a significant horticultural Camellia cultivar;
- 5) Represent an important complement within an historic collection including those of nurseries;
- 6) Be of special religious or cultural significance within the context of a temple, shrine, religious site, memorial, (including cemeteries) and monuments; or
- 7) Has had literary and cultural impact e.g. depiction in books, poems or cinema or other media, or referenced by some famous writer, novelist or poet.

You can provide further details of these specifications you have selected under **Criterion 3 Standards of Measurement and Records**:

- Interest: natural, scientific, educational, monumental and aesthetic values.
- Historic significance (supported by documentation).
- (If any), record of any literary and cultural impact, e.g. depiction in books, poems, cinema or other media, or referenced by some famous writer, novelist or poet.

## For Collection of Historic Ornamental Camellia Trees:

Please indicate by X (on left margin) whether the collection is located within or across:

- 1) A temple, shrine, religious sites, historic site or monument;
- 2) Within a historic estate; or
- 3) Separate locations across a district province or local government jurisdiction within an individual country.

Please provide further detail on that which you have selected above.

Are the specifications for Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree the same across the entire collection **YES** or **NO**? (Please circle that which applies).

If **YES**, please select as indicated for Specification for Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree above and provide further detail of those specifications you have selected under **Criterion 3 Standards of Measurement and Records**:

- Interest: natural, scientific, educational, monumental and aesthetic values.
- Historic significance (supported by documentation.
- (If any), record of any literary and cultural impact, e.g. depiction in books, poems, cinema or other media, or referenced by some famous writer, novelist or poet.

If **NO**, you should submit a table listing each tree specimen with relevant specification from 1-7 indicated, plus further details of those specifications you have selected under **Criterion 3 Standards of Measurement and Records**:

- Interest: natural, scientific, educational, monumental and aesthetic values.
- Historic significance (supported by documentation.
- (If any), record of any literary and cultural impact, e.g. depiction in books, poems, cinema or other media, or referenced by some famous writer, novelist or poet.

# **CRITERIA 2 & 3:** Age of Tree(s) has been supported by Standards of Measurement and Records; & Standards of Measurement and Records, supplying as much data as can reasonably be collected.

First, please indicate age of tree (on best estimate). If over 100 years, within + or -5 years.

For collection of trees, please submit a table listing best estimate of individual tree ages and other data as required below.

Please supply any evidence for this estimate of age e.g.

- Photo documentation
- Picture documentation
- Bibliographic citation or record in reliable book
- Forestry report
- Ecological or heritage study
- Other reliable documentation or authority

These may be listed below or in a summary report.

Where is the tree located?

What is its longitude and latitude?

Briefly outline details of surroundings, i.e. soils, water, light.

Size:

Height (metres)\_\_\_\_\_

(OPTIONAL) Record of Canopy and Crown Width Density (if accessible)

Trunk Measurements:

- Unless < 2 metres in height, circumference (NOT diameter) 1.3 metres above ground level;
- < 2 metres, circumference at ground level; or
- For multiple trunk trees, ground level or most accessible circumferences (NOT diameters) of all the largest lateral branches.

#### (OPTIONAL) Internal testing of branch and trunk structure:

#### Summary notes on Growth Vigour, including for trunk, leaf and flower:

**Phytosanitary Report:** Note presence or absence of pests and diseases. If a professional report by a plant pathologist has been undertaken, please note and include this.

Note the following **Records** may be used to provide the required details for the specifications you have selected for **Historic Ornamental Camellia Tree(s)**.

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Historical significance (supported by documentation):

(If any), record of any literary and cultural impact e.g. depiction in books, poems, cinema or other media, or referenced by some famous writer, novelist or poet:

# **CRITERION 4:** Quality photographs submitted of tree, foliage and flower and desirably seed).

Applicants are free to choose how best to present such photographic records. Please include digital photographs with your application.

# **CRITERION 5: Details of Conservation Plan in Place.**

Please outline such details which demonstrate willingness to conserve the tree(s).

# **CRITERION 6:** Promotional Strategy to relevant Horticultural and Heritage Associations.

Note: This criterion is a critical one for determination of the award, particularly if details of other criteria are limited. All applications should indicate that they are willing to work with the ICS to inform about and to promote their award for the purposes of camellia conservation. This would involve communication and information to other horticultural bodies. In addition to camellia societies, such bodies would include general horticultural societies (e.g. The Royal Horticultural Society), botanic gardens, heritage associations, relevant regional or provincial promotional associations, and the horticultural media.

## Applicant (or Custodian) to sign:

## Dated:

Thank you for submitting your application including any supplementary reports and digital photography – please do so by clicking this link: https://internationalcamellia.org/application-form-awards