

Selected Images of ***Bambusa textilis* ‘Gracilis’**

(common names: Graceful Weaver’s Bamboo, Slender Weaver’s Bamboo, The Gracilis)

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Figure 1. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' growing in Davis, California providing a privacy screen between a driveway and a property line. On the left is a view of the front of the stand of bamboo and on the right is an end on view of the bamboo showing how it can grow in a 3 foot wide area. These six plants were planted on 4 foot centers. Only minimal manicuring has been done on these plants.



Figure 2. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy along a property line with very little manicuring.



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Figure 6. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy next to a pool with only a little manicuring. Some of the lower branches have been removed with hand pruners.



Figure 7. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy with very little manicuring.



Figure 8. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy with very little manicuring.



Figure 9. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy above 10 feet with very little manicuring. These plants are mature and they were planted on approximately 10 foot centers.



Figure 10. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy above 8 feet with very little manicuring. These plants are mature and were planted on approximately 6 foot centers.



Figure 11. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy next to a wall with very little manicuring. Some of the lower branches have been removed with hand pruners.



Figure 12. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy with very little manicuring.



Figure 13. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy along a property line. The rhizomes have been carefully pruned so that this stand of bamboo has a long yet very narrow footprint.



Figure 14. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy. There has been substantial manicuring performed on these stands of bamboo, as shown in the foreground and in the distance. The tops of the canes have been evenly cut off at about 10 feet high, all branches and leaves below 4 feet have been pruned off and the fronts of the plants have been flattened with hedge clippers. While this can be done, most Gracilis growers do not conduct this amount of manicuring. It is more common to maintain the Gracilis as shown in Figures 1 – 5. This same planting of the Gracilis is also shown in Figures 15 and 16.



Figure 15. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy. There has been substantial manicuring performed on this stand of bamboo. The tops of the canes have been evenly cut off at about 10 feet high (which you cannot see in this picture), all branches and leaves below 4 feet have been pruned off and the fronts of the plants have been flattened with hedge clippers. While this can be done, most Gracilis growers do not conduct this amount of manicuring. It is more common to maintain the Gracilis as shown in Figures 1 – 5. This same planting of the Gracilis is also shown in Figures 14 and 16.



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Figure 17. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' privacy hedge with extensive manicuring. The tops of the canes have been evenly cut off at about 9 feet high, all branches and leaves below 4 feet have been pruned off and the fronts of the plants have been flattened with hedge clippers (although not very recently). While this can be done, most Gracilis growers do not conduct this amount of manicuring. It is more common to maintain the Gracilis as shown in Figures 1 – 5. This same planting of the Gracilis is also shown in Figures 18 and 19.



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Figure 20. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing privacy with manicuring to conform its shape around a tree trunk, some of the lower branches have been removed and hedge clippers have been used across the front of the bamboo.



Figure 21. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' providing a 2 foot band of privacy above a 6 foot wall. This is a very highly manicured planting of the Gracilis coined as "The Poodle Cut of Bamboo" by Daniel James Nurco, Ph.D.. All of the canes are evenly cut off at 8 foot high and all of the branches below 5 feet have been removed with hand pruners. This planting of the Gracilis is also growing in a very narrow area of 1 foot or less. Generally, consumers are going to want at least 3 feet of space to grow the Gracilis. While this planting of the Gracilis is very attractive, it will require substantial maintenance on a yearly basis. This same planting is also shown in Figures 22 and 23.



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Figure 24. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' grown as a short hedge enabled by cutting all of the tops of the canes at 4 foot high. A feature of the Gracilis that enables it to be grown like this is that it has low buds going almost down to the ground.



Figure 25. Insane Funky Doodle Dr. Zeus style manicured *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis'.



Figure 26. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' manicured into a box shaped hedge. All of the tops have been evenly cut off at about 12 feet high and hedge clippers have been used across the front.



Figure 27. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' manicured into a box shaped hedge. All of the tops have been evenly cut off at about 8 feet high and hedge clippers have been used across the front.



Figure 28. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' manicured into a hedge. All of the tops have been evenly cut off at about 10 feet high and hedge clippers have been used across the front.



Figure 29. *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis' manicured into a hedge. All of the tops have been evenly cut off at about 10 feet high and hedge clippers have been used across the front.



Figure 30. A single stand alone specimen plant of *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis'.



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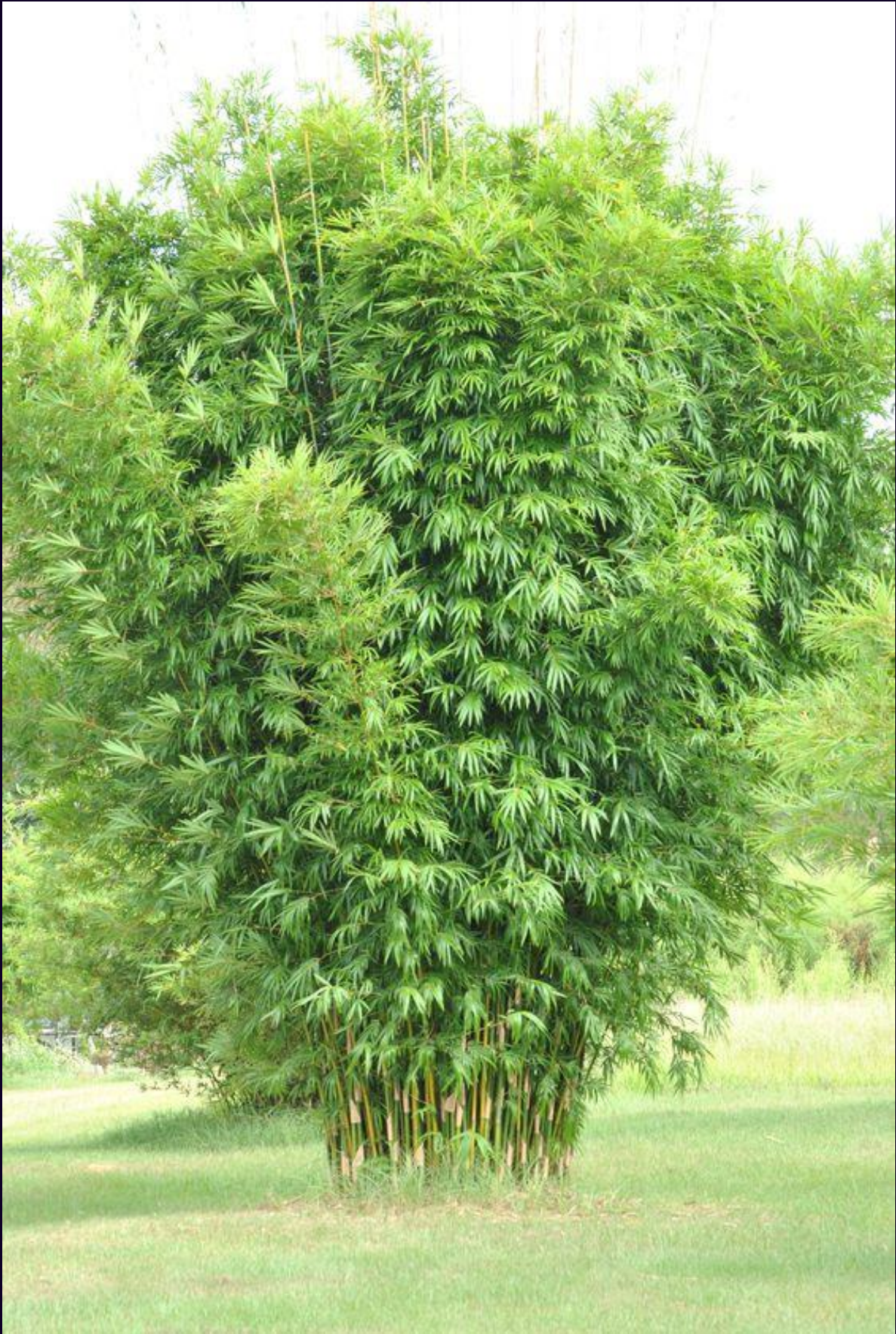


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Figure 38. A single stand alone specimen plant of *Bambusa textilis* 'Gracilis'. This is a giant very mature plant grown in the tropics. This plant is exhibiting "The Wall of Canes" look coined by Daniel James Nurco, Ph.D..