

# IDS Travel Bursary 2025

The International Dendrology Society is offering a travel bursary for a student of botany or dendrology, or a full-time employee, to join a group of IDS members on one of our popular tours. This is an outstanding opportunity to see trees both in arboreta and gardens and growing in their native habitat, and to travel with IDS members – either knowledgeable amateurs, often with their own tree collections, or professionals responsible for arboreta and parks all over the world.

We would like the applicant to explain very clearly why travelling to a particular destination will be an asset to their chosen career path. The maximum budget per bursary is £5,000; for some tours this will cover both the tour price and travel; for more expensive tours you will have to raise the balance yourselves.

For further information about the tours, see the following links:

South Devon and Dartmoor 10-18 May	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/south-devon-dartmoor/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/south-devon-dartmoor/</a>
South West Scotland 25-30 May	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/south-west-scotland/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/south-west-scotland/</a>
Montenegro 2-12 June	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/montenegro/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/montenegro/</a>
Central China 31 Aug-17 Sept	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/central-china/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/central-china/</a>
Arunachal Pradesh 30 Sept-14 Oct	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/aranachal-pradesh/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/aranachal-pradesh/</a>
Sicily 10-18 Oct	<a href="http://www.dendrology.org/tour-info/sicily/">www.dendrology.org/tour-info/sicily/</a>

The successful applicant must:

- Be a student of botany or horticulture or employed full time in a botanic garden, private garden or similar organisation
- Have good spoken English
- Be primarily studying woody plants
- Be able to help with botanical and identification issues while on the tour
- Have an outgoing and friendly personality
- Write up the tour for the IDS Yearbook. The IDS is happy for the tour report to be written in English, French, German or Italian, and will arrange if necessary for the report to be translated for the Yearbook. Ideally the applicant would also provide photographs and short social media posts during the tour.

Your application should include:

- Your CV, stating your date of birth
- A written personal statement including the reason you have chosen the particular tour
- A recommendation from your institute of study or employer, either from the head of the institute or from the person in charge of the study of woody plants, or the arboretum.

Applicants who have been unsuccessful in previous years are welcome to apply again.

Send these documents via email to the Chairman of the Science & Education Committee of the IDS, Antonia Johnson, [scienceandeducation@dendrology.org](mailto:scienceandeducation@dendrology.org). Applications must be received no later than 28 Feb 2025.

Interviews will take place remotely during March 2025.