While North American magnolias like sweetbay (Magnolia virginiana) and Southern magnolia (M. grandiflora) typically flower in midsummer, deciduous species from Asia like star magnolia (M. stellata), Loebner magnolia (M. × loebneri), and saucer magnolia (M. × soulangeana) offer spectacular floral displays in April before their leaves emerge. This wonderful accession of the 'Candolleana' cultivar of saucer magnolia on the Hunnewell Building lawn dates to 1895 and originated at George Washington Vanderbilt’s famed Biltmore House and Gardens in Asheville, North Carolina. Photograph by Jon Hetman.