



## Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore

*Pinus contorta* 'Spaan's Dwarf'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Lodgepole Pine

### Description:

A very unusual garden plant with a mounded rounded form, and short green needles held on an upright branch structure; prefers dry soils, makes a great accent plant for the garden landscape

### Ornamental Features

Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has rich green evergreen foliage. The needles remain green throughout the winter.

### Landscape Attributes

Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore is an open multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore foliage*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Pine, Spaan's Dwarf Shore will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage shrub for future generations!

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average conditions that are neither too wet nor too dry, and is very intolerant of standing water. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.

### **Special Attributes**

Evergreens need to be watered during the winter. Our desert climate especially in late winter to early spring evergreens can suffer during next growing season. An easy way to remember check for dryness on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter.