



Pine, Banderica Bosnian

Pinus heldreichii 'Banderica'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight:  

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: Pinus leucodermis, Serbian Pine

Description:

Lustrous dark-green needles with dense, compact growth and a wide bottomed, pyramidal habit make this great as a small feature shrub in home landscapes; very effective as an accent, and requires no pruning to maintain its form

Ornamental Features

Pine, Banderica Bosnian is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has dark green evergreen foliage which emerges light green in spring. The needles remain dark green throughout the winter. The rough brown bark and silver branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Pine, Banderica Bosnian is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

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, Banderica Bosnian is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Pine, Banderica Bosnian
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Planting & Growing

Pine, Banderica Bosnian 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.

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, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

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.