



Pine, Japanese White

Pinus parviflora

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 30 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

A majestic and artistic evergreen specimen tree when mature, with broadly spreading branches, yet relatively compact in size for a pine tree, excellent choice for smaller home landscape use, very adaptable

Ornamental Features

Pine, Japanese White is primarily valued in the landscape for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has forest green evergreen foliage. The needles remain forest green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Pine, Japanese White is a dense evergreen tree with a strong central leader and a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree. 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, Japanese White is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



Pine, Japanese White
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Pine, Japanese White foliage
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Planting & Growing

Pine, Japanese White will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 5 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 120 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. 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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.

Special Attributes

Cones are oval shaped 2 to 4 inches long. They are reddish brown and found in groups of 2 to 4 and stay on the tree 6 to 7 years. In some areas of the world pine are considered drought tolerant, that depends on when does it rain. If it doesn't rain during the growing season more than 4 inches on a monthly basis it will need to be watered. In the Pacific Northwest Desert evergreens need to be watered during the winter as well as the growing season. 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 is on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter