Pine, Mugo Minima Kalous

Pinus mugo 'Minima Kalous'



Pine, Mugo Minima Kalous
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Description:

A choice dwarf and slow growing evergreen for smaller gardens, shorter stems with green needles, tipped with white resinous buds; extremely hardy, tough and adaptable, requires full sun, but doesn't require pruning to remain compact

Ornamental Features

Pine, Mugo Minima Kalous is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has dark green evergreen foliage. The needles remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Pine, Mugo Minima Kalous is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with 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 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, Mugo Minima Kalous is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Pine, Mugo Minima Kalous will grow to be about 3 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 for 50 years or more.

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This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in 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 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.