Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine

Pinus heldreichii 'Mint Truffle'



Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Other Names: Pinus leucodermis, Serbian Pine

Description:

A stunning fine textured evergreen with long thin mint-green needles that emerge white; shape is broad and rounded with finely textured needles covering every shoot completely; highly tolerant and disease resistant, it makes a beautiful year round display

Ornamental Features

Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has attractive light green evergreen foliage which emerges white in spring. The needles are highly ornamental and remain light green throughout the winter. The rough brown bark and silver branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.



Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine foliage
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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.

Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Mint Truffle Bosnian Pine will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. 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.