Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine

Pinus mugo 'Paul's Dwarf'



Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Other Names: Mugho Pine, Swiss Mountain Pine

Group/Class: TRUdwarf

Description:

One of the TRUdwarf series, this variety is very short needled and slow growing; a tiny dusty green treasure that is used for bonsai, this selection is a wonderful addition to the rock garden or container plantings

Ornamental Features

Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its broadly spreading habit of growth. It has attractive grayish green evergreen foliage. The tiny needles are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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.

Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Paul's Dwarf Mugo Pine will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. 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.

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 a low-water garden or xeriscape application. 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.