Venus Japanese White Pine

Pinus parviflora 'Venus'



Venus Japanese White Pine
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Height: 20 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

This outstanding variety is a slow growing semi-dwarf tree with a pyramidal habit when young, but may become more columnar with a flat top as it matures; features blue-green needles that are compressed against and tend to twist around the twigs

Ornamental Features

Venus Japanese White Pine is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The twisted needles are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.



Venus Japanese White Pine foliage
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Landscape Attributes

Venus Japanese White Pine is a dense evergreen tree with a strong central leader and 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 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.

Venus Japanese White Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent

Planting & Growing

Venus Japanese White Pine will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree 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 or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.