

# Gertens Plant Info.



## Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce

*Picea pungens 'Sester Dwarf'*

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Blue Colorado Spruce; Colorado Blue Spruce

### Description:

Stunning blue needles, slow growth rate, and a classic conical form makes this dwarf spruce an ideal plant for the modern landscape; like a perfect miniature version of the Colorado Blue Spruce, requires little maintenance to maintain its tidy form

### Ornamental Features

Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive silvery blue evergreen foliage. The needles are highly ornamental and remain silvery blue throughout the winter.

### Landscape Attributes

Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce is recommended for the following landscape applications;



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- General Garden Use

## Planting & Growing

Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 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 40 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. 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 selection of a native North American species.

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*Sester's Dwarf Blue Spruce foliage*  
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