



## Species: *Taxodium distichum*

(taks-oh'dee-um dis'ti-kum)

### Bald Cypress

#### Cultivar Information

\* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

#### Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 50' - 70'

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: columnar when young; wide spreading, open with age

Ornamental Other: chlorotic on high pH sites; found in swamps and wet areas in its native range

#### Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 5b

Soil Ph: Requires acid (pH 5.0 to 7.0)

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray, Tolerates salty soil

Environmental Other: chlorotic on high pH sites; found in swamps and wet areas in its native range

#### Insect Disease

generally free of problems

#### Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

## Other

transplant in spring; slow to recover from transplanting, native to Mid-Atlantic and Southern US.

Cultivars for *Taxodium distichum*

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| Cultivar Name       | Notes                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Shawnee Brave       | 'Shawnee Brave' - narrow, fastigiate form; grows to 80' tall x 20' wide; high quality green foliage; mite resistant                                              |
| Fastigiata          | 'Fastigiata' - narrow, columnar habit                                                                                                                            |
| Monarch of Illinois | 'Monarch of Illinois' - wide-spreading form; higher susceptibility to mites; grows to 90' tall x 70' wide                                                        |
| Pendens             | 'Pendens' - drooping branch tips                                                                                                                                 |
| Autumn Gold         | 'Autumn Gold' (a.k.a. 'Sofine') - improved dense, fine-textured foliage; enhanced with an autumn gold color; improved uniform branching; dominant central leader |
| Casacade Falls      | 'Casacade Falls' - compact weeping form; typically grows to 8-12' tall over the first 10-15 years, eventually maturing to as much as 20' tall                    |
| Cave Hill           | 'Cave Hill' - dwarf globe form; gnarly branches grafted onto a standard                                                                                          |
| Peve Minaret        | 'Peve Minaret' - dwarf, broad upright form; dense, compact spire; soft, rich-green foliage; needles change to red-brown in autumn and hold for weeks             |
| Secrest             | 'Secrest' - spreading dwarf form; low, slow-growing with horizontal branching                                                                                    |
| Emerald Shadow      | 'Emerald Shadow' - uniform upright habit; beautiful deep green foliage color; amber yellow fall color; grows to 50' tall x 15' wide                              |
| Falling Waters      | 'Falling Waters' - graceful arching form; bright green needles; fast grower matures to 20' tall                                                                  |
| Green Whisper       | 'Green Whisper' - pyramidal form; grows to 55' tall x 30' wide; bright green foliage turns to rusty orange; holds pyramidal form as it ages                      |
| Hurley Park         | 'Hurley Park' - dwarf form; grows to 2' tall and wide in 10 years                                                                                                |
| Little Leaf         | 'Little Leaf' - upright form; tiny green needles turn to copper orange in fall; grows to 10' tall x 4' wide in 10 years                                          |
| Peve Yellow         | 'Peve Yellow' - dense, pyramidal, compact, dwarf form; soft yellow foliage; grows to 6-8' tall x 3-5' wide in 10 years                                           |
| Lindsey's Skyward   | 'Lindsey's Skyward' - upright columnar form; upward branching habit; grows to 25' tall x 10' wide                                                                |

| Cultivar Name               | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Cody's Feathers             | 'Cody's Feathers' - dwarf round form; soft green feather-like foliage changes to burnt-orange in fall; grows to 4' tall and wide in 10 years                                                |
| Hursley Park                | 'Hursley Park' - dwarf, broad, compact form; grows to 2' tall x 3' wide in 10 years                                                                                                         |
| Greenfeather Carolyn Malone | This is <i>Taxodium ascendens</i> ; Pond Cypress. Tolerates extremes including heat and drought and standing water conditions. Has feathery, bright green foliage and narrow, upright form. |

## Photos



*Taxodium distichum* - Bark



*Taxodium distichum* - Habit



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*Taxodium distichum* - Habit



*Taxodium distichum* - Habit



*Taxodium distichum* - Leaves



*Taxodium distichum* - Buds



*Taxodium distichum* - Bark



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