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Size classes recognized by the American Conifer Society

Category	Growth per year	Approx. size at 10 years
Miniature	< 1"	< 1'
Dwarf	1" to 6"	1' to 6'
Intermediate	6" to 12"	6' to 15'
Large	>12"	>15'









Pinus glauca
'Sander's blue'

Pinus omorika
'Nana'



Chamaecyparis
obtusa
'Nana lutea'



Pinus strobus
'Compacta'



Tsuga canadensis
‘Guldemon’s
Dwarf’



Intermediate conifers



Chamaecyparis pisifera ‘Filifera aurea’





*Chamaecyparis
pisifera
'Filifera aurea'*



Pinus cembra 'Compacta'



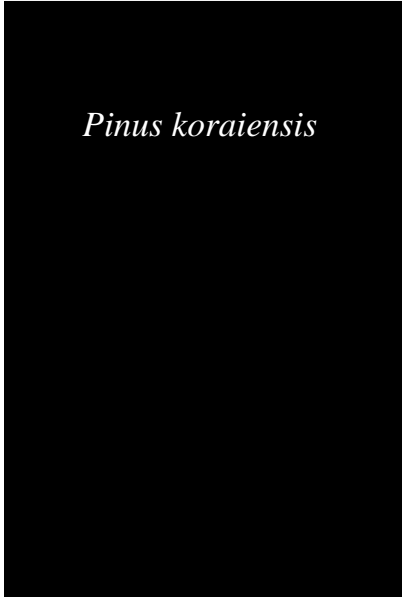
Pinus cembra 'Silver sheen'



*Abies concolor
'Conica'*



Picea abies
'Aurea magnifica'



Pinus koraiensis



Large conifers

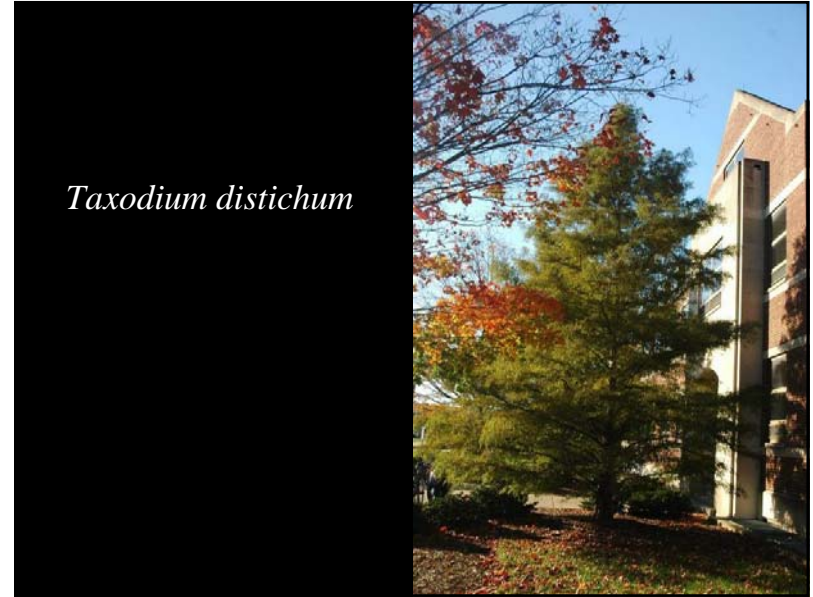


Chamaecyparis nootkatensis

Abies concolor

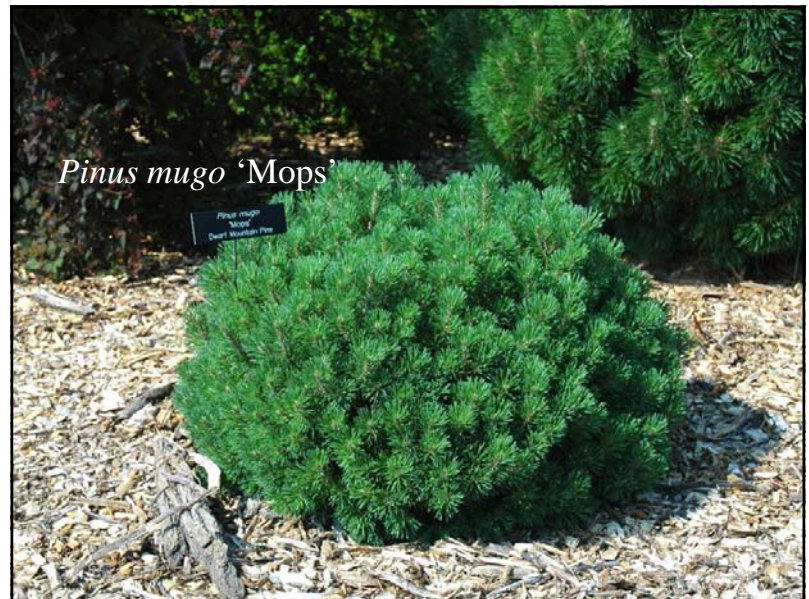
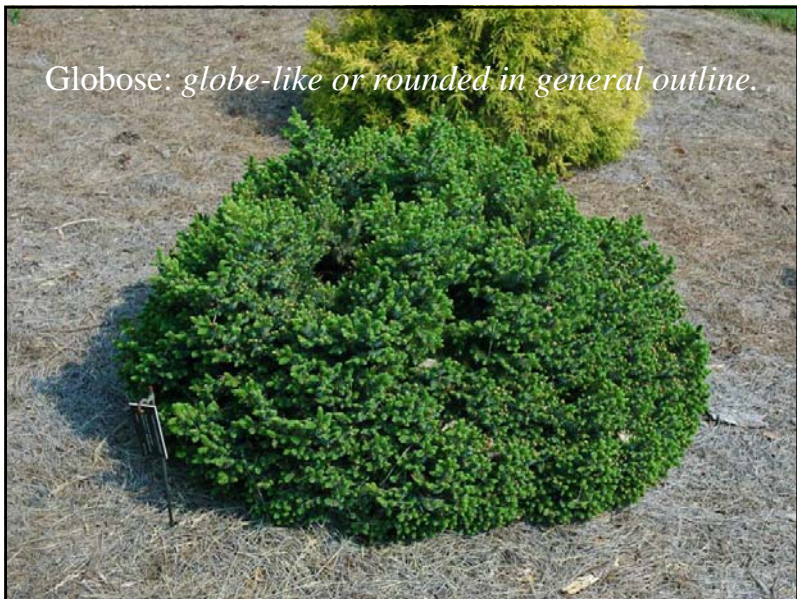
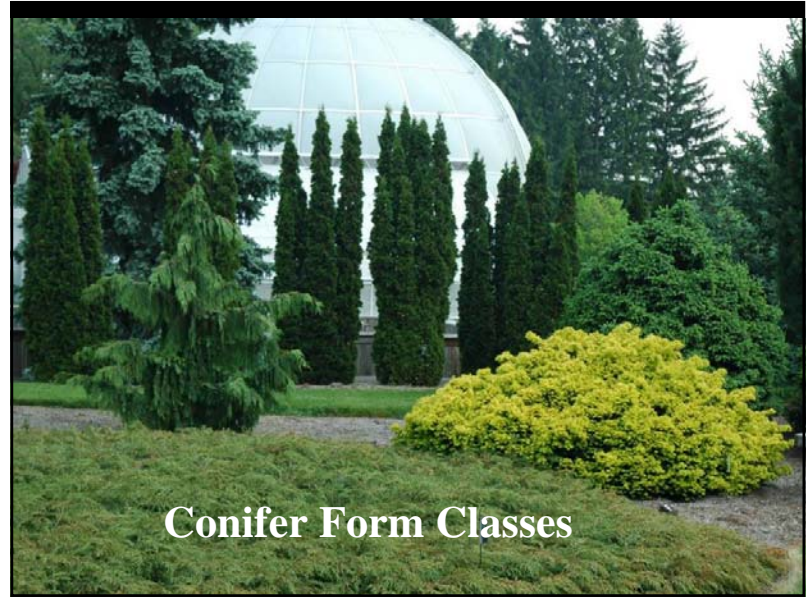


Taxodium distichum



Picea omorika







Pinus mugo
'Aurea'



Picea glauca 'Blue planet'



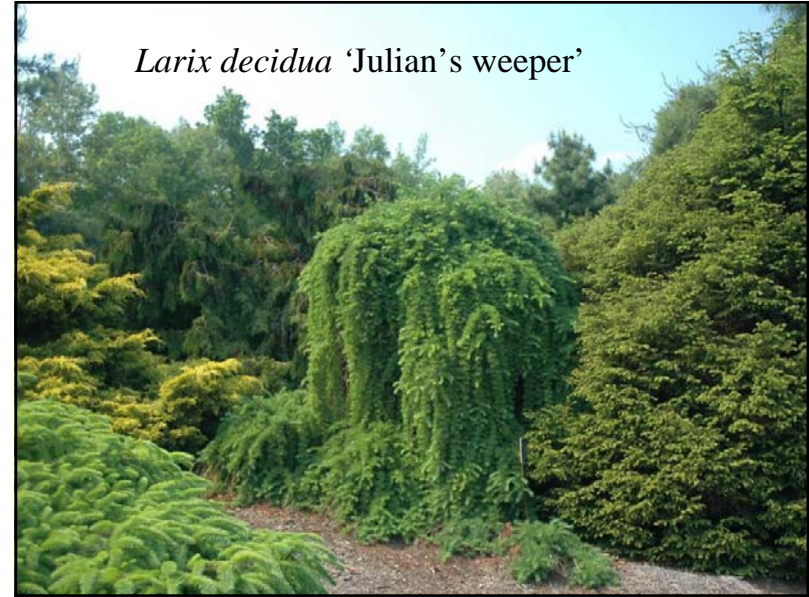
Pendulous: upright or mounding with varying degrees of weeping branches.



Picea abies 'Virgata'



Picea glauca 'Pendula'



Larix decidua 'Julian's weeper'

- Narrow upright: *much taller than broad;*
- Fastigiate
 - Columnar
 - Narrowly pyramidal
 - Narrowly conical



Chamaecyparis nootkatensis 'Green arrow'

Picea glauca
'Pendula'



Thuja occidentalis
'Degroot's spire'



Picea orientalis
'Skylands'



Broad upright: includes all other upright plants
which do not fit into categories 1-3.









Picea pungens 'Glauca procumbens'



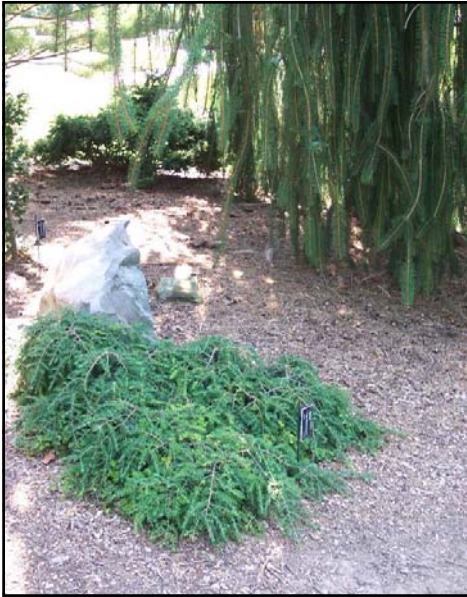
Spreading: wider than tall.



Abies normanniana 'Golden spreader'



Picea abies 'Pumila'



Tsuga canadensis
'Brookline'



Irregular: *erratic growth pattern.*



Picea glauca
'Fort Ann'





Pinus banksiana 'Uncle Fogy'



Larix decidua 'Varied directions'



Picea abies
'Inversa'



Culturally altered:
*pruned or trained into
formal or imaginative
shapes, such as high
grafts or standards.*



Grafting high on standard



Double graft

Microbiota decussata &
Chamaecyparis obtusa



Hedging

