



Evergreens In The Landscape

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Evergreen Growing Conditions

- Cold hardiness zones 4 and 5 along the Wasatch Front with possible 3 in upper valleys.
- Avoid extreme exposure to northwest winter winds and southern exposures.
- Protect them in the winter months (next slide)
- Fertile, well-drained soil is best for conifers, many of which can tolerate dry conditions when established. Some prefer Rocky or very loose soils.
- Soil pH of neutral (7.0) to slightly acidic pH (6.0-7.0).
- Some evergreens are tolerant of less than ideal growing conditions. Always choose plants with growing requirements that match the conditions of your landscape. Read tags and ask questions at the nursery.





Winter Potential Problems

- Winter sun, wind and cold temperatures can:
 - bleach and dry out evergreen foliage,
 - damage bark
 - injure or kill branches, flower buds, and roots.
- Snow and ice can break branches and topple entire trees.
- Salt used for deicing streets, sidewalks and parking lots is harmful to landscape plants, some evergreens very susceptible.
- Winter food shortages cause rodents and deer to feed on bark, twigs, flower buds and leaves, injuring and sometimes killing trees and shrubs.



Choose the Right Size Plant for Your Space

- Spruce, fir and arborvitae are pyramid-shaped evergreens that may cover a circle 30 feet in diameter when they reach full maturity.
- Many evergreen trees can reach heights of over 50 ft at maturity.
- Pines are also pyramid-shaped as young trees, but as they mature they often lose lower branches, resulting in open space beneath. Depending on the species, pines can reach 50 feet or more in height and be quite broad.

Plant Sizing Continued

- Smaller upright junipers or columnar arborvitae are often more in scale with residential sites. These evergreens will mature at 20 to 30 feet, with a spread of 5 to 10 feet, depending on the variety.
- Juniper shrubs with horizontal shapes can spread to 5 or 6 feet in a few years.
 - Heights vary considerably according to the variety.
- Japanese yews are often pruned tightly to keep them at a desired height or width, but some selections will grow into 20-foot trees or very wide shrubs over time.



Form Color and Texture

- Evergreens come in many different forms: pyramid shape, spreading, open, prostrate or creeping, mounded, rounded, upright, weeping.
- Evergreens also provide year-round color and texture in a landscape making them excellent accent plants. This is an important plant characteristics in Utah and other areas with long winters.
- When choosing evergreens consider:
 - Foliage, bark, cones, berries.
 - Sunlight is important to maintaining foliage color.
 - Age of the growth may affect color.
- For good visual appeal, avoid combining evergreens with the same or very similar colors, textures and forms.

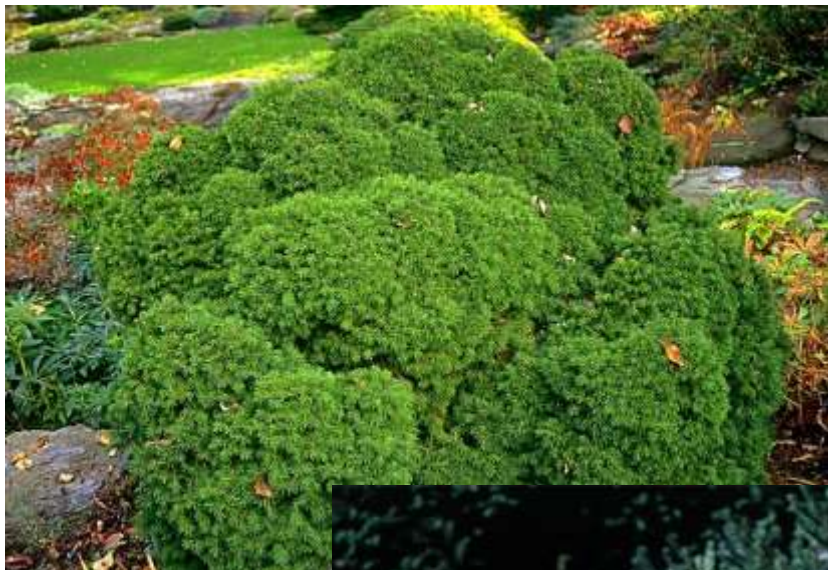




Evergreens for Difficult Sites

- Clay soil — arborvitae, Austrian pine, ponderosa pine, white fir
- Sandy soil — Scotch pine, mugo pine, junipers
- Wet soil — American arborvitae, balsam fir, black spruce
- High pH — arborvitae, black hills spruce, mugo pine, ponderosa pine, junipers
- Windy, exposed — Black Hills spruce, jack pine, mugo pine, red pine, ponderosa pine, Rocky Mountain juniper, savin juniper, eastern red cedar, douglas fir
- Partial sun — arborvitae, balsam fir, douglas fir
- Shade — Canada hemlock, Canada yew, Japanese yew

Dwarf Conifers



'Diffusa'
Norway
spruce



'Pumila Nigra' Norway spruce



'Mops' mugo pine



Dwarf
Balsam fir

Little John



Chirimen



False Cypress *Chamaecyparis abtusa* varieties

- **Plant Features:**
- False Cypress belong to the same family but not the same genus as true Cypress
- Dwarf evergreens ranging from 1 ft to 6 ft tall and wide
- Zones 4-5
- Range of color, texture and interest



Melody



White Pygmy



Blue Moon



The Blues Weeping Colorado Spruce *Picea pungens* 'The Blues'

- **Plant Features:**
 - Extremely hardy variety
 - fast growing
 - tops out at just 10 feet in height with a width between 5 and 10 feet
 - The blue-green needles are thickly packed on downward hanging branches
 - Hardy down to -50 degrees F
 - 'The Blues' is among the most deer resistant of the dwarf evergreen trees
 - It thrives in full sun conditions but will also tolerate some shade

Hinoki Cypress

Chamaecyparis obtusa

- **Plant Features:**

- A compact, extremely slow-grower
- Soft-needled, somewhat pyramidal form,
- Fan-shaped foliage that's lush and dark green.
- Winter hardy down to -30 degrees F,
- 10 to 12 feet tall and 3 to 4 feet wide
- Requires full to partial sun and well-drained soils.
- If you'd like an even smaller version of this plant that tops out at just 5 feet tall, look for the cultivar 'Nana Gracilis'



Dwarf Golden Hinoki False Cypress



Chalet Swiss Stone Pine *Pinus cembra* 'Chalet'

- **Plant Features:**
- Dwarf evergreen trees
- Slow growing with a beautiful form
- Columnar in shape and densely branched
- The needles are long and blue-green
- Hardiness down to -40 degrees F,
- 'Chalet' is an exceptional choice that reaches just 8 feet in height with a width of 4 feet.



Dwarf Serbian Spruce *Picea omorika* 'Nana

Plant Features:

- The dense growth is great choice for small garden beds and foundation plantings
- Has green needles with white striping on the undersides, giving a soft appearance
- Slow-growing
- Maximum height of just 3 to 5 feet with an equal width
- Hardy to temperatures down to -30 degrees F
- Loosely pyramidal in form with no pruning required.



Green Arrow Weeping Alaska Cedar *Chamaecyparis nootakatensis* 'Green Arrow'

Plant Features:

- Tall and narrow, great for small yards and gardens
- 'Green Arrow' the most slender of all Alaskan Cedars
- Topping out at 20 feet in height and 1 foot wide
- The weeping branches have soft foliage with a fan-like appearance
- Winter hardy down to -20 degrees F



North Star Dwarf White Spruce *Picea glauca* 'North Star'

Plant Features:

- Extremely hardy to -50 degrees F
- Pyramidal in shape and covered with green needles
- Deer-resistant
- Tops out at 5 to 10 feet tall and 4 feet wide.
- Prefers full to partial sun
- Requires little to no pruning to maintain a neat-and-tidy shape.
- Easy to grow and tolerant of all but the wettest soils



Upright Japanese Plum Yew *Cephaloxatus harringtoniia* 'Fastigiata'

Plant Features:

- Hardy to -10 degrees F
- Its upright, slender growth habit maxes out at 8 feet tall and 3 feet wide.
- Non-flowering, Japanese plum yews have dark green needles that are densely spaced on bottlebrush-like, upright branches.
- Each needle is about 2 inches long
- Thrives in full to partial sun, but prefers afternoon shade during the summer months.

Dwarf Balsam Fir *Abies balsamea* 'Nana'

Plant Features:

- A squatty, rounded fir with lush needles
- Hardy to -40 degrees F
- Slow growth rate of this variety makes very minimal pruning
- Like other balsam firs, this compact selection has dark green needles and densely packed branches
- Reaches 5 to 6 feet wide after many years of growth.





Blue Wonder Blue Spruce *Picea glauca* 'Blue Wonder'

Plant Features:

- Hardy down to -40 degrees F
- Beautiful blue-gray foliage and a nice compact form
- An excellent alternative to dwarf Alberta spruce
- Slowly reaching 6 feet in height and only 3 feet wide at maturity
- Has a naturally dense conical form.



Green Penguin Dwarf Scotch Pine *Pinus sylvestris* 'Green Penguin'

Plant Features:

- A chunky, yet tidy dwarf evergreen
- New growth that's feathery and older growth that's long-needled make this one very unique.
- Has a thick, pyramidal form
- Hardy to -40 degrees F
- Maximum height is 6 feet with a width equal to half its height.



Dwarf Pencil Point Juniper *Juniperus communis* 'Compressa'

Plant Features:

- Evergreen and columnar in form
- Unique and slow growing
- Average height of 5 feet and a width of just 1 foot
- Sun-loving
- Blue-green needles
- Female plants may produce blue “berries” in the
- Winter hardy to -40 degrees F



Little Gem Spruce *Picea abies* 'Little Gem'

Plant Features:

- Tight rounded habit
- Mature size is 2 ft high by 4 ft wide unless in tree form- then possibly 4 ft tall.
- Full sun
- No trimming or cutting to maintain shape
- Winter hardy to Zone 4





Dwarf Globe Norway Spruce *Picea abies* 'Pumila'

Plant Features:

- Evergreen and rounded in form
- Grows at 3-5 inches per year
- Height 2 ft tall by 4 ft wide
- At about 10 years old will tend to get a taller center and taper outward
- Full Sun
- Hardy to Zone 3



Dwarf Blue Scotch Pine *Pinus sylvestris* 'Glauca Nana'

Plant Features:

- Full Sun
- Height: 6-8' x 6-8'
- Spread: 6-8'
- Low water, once established- drought tolerant
- Hardy to zone 2
- Deer resistant
- Low growing evergreen, Bright bluish green needles, Attractive peeling bark, Excellent in containers



Sea Urchin Eastern White Pine *Pinus strobus* 'Sea Urchin'

Plant Features:

- Full Sun to Part Shade
- 2-3 feet high by 2-4 feet wide
- Medium to low water
- Hardy to zone 3
- Rarely damaged by deer
- Dense, flattened, globe-shaped conifer., Blue-green needles are soft to the touch., also rabbit resistant



'Horsford' Eastern
White Pine



Mr. Bowling Ball Dwarf Cedar *Thuja occidentalis* 'Mr. Bowling Ball'

Plant Features:

- Full Sun to Partial Shade
- 2-3 feet high and wide
- Medium water requirement
- Hardy to zone 4
- Foliage may show some winter burn
- Grow in average, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade.
- Somewhat wide range of soil tolerance, but prefers neutral to alkaline, well-drained loam



Pines

Pines can be used for windbreaks, accent trees, or even foundation plantings. They are important not only for their ornamental value in the landscape but also for wildlife (many animals eat the seeds and use the trees for nesting) and commercial value (lumber, Christmas trees, turpentine).



Austrian Pine *Pinus Nigra*

Plant Features:

- Very large evergreen
- Height to 60+ ft by 40+ feet wide
- Pyramidal when young and rounding and broadening as it matures
- Moderate growth rate at 12-20 inches per year
- Drought tolerant

- There are many cultivations to include dwarf varieties
 - Brepo Dwarf 5 ft by 5 ft
 - Hornbrookiana 3 ft by 6 ft
 - Oregon Green 10 ft by 10 ft

Well's Dollys Choice



Mugo Pine or Swiss Mountain Pine

Pinus Mugo

Plant Features:

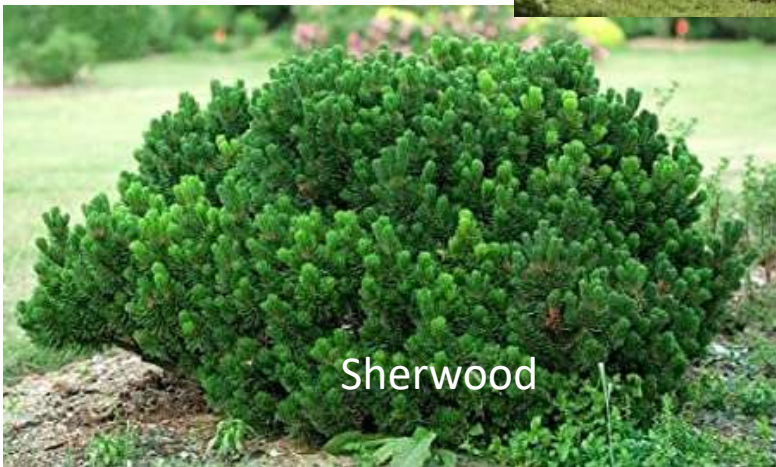
- 3-5 feet tall; 5-10-foot spread. Some get 20 ft tall
- Full sun to part shade
- Good in any well-drained soil
- Drought tolerant at maturity
- Hardy to zone 2 for most cultivations
- Most grow more wide than tall.



Tannenbaum



Mops



Sherwood

Mugo Pine Varieties

Pinus Mugo

- *Pinus mugo* 'Compacta' is typically about 5 feet tall and 8 feet wide but may grow larger.
- *P. mugo* 'Sherwood Compact' is a true dwarf with a rounded habit; it is about 3 feet tall and 4 feet wide.
- *P. mugo* 'Enci' is similar size to 'Sherwood Compact' at 3 feet tall and 5 feet wide. It is a dense, slow-growing shrub with short needles.
- *P. mugo* 'Gnome' is a small, flat-top form. It grows slowly, topping out at only 18 inches tall and 3 feet wide
- 'Mops' has an especially dense growth habit that works well in confined spaces. It grows slowly to about 5 feet, taking 30 years to do so. It is hardy in zones 2 to 7.



Tanyosho Pine or Japanese Red Pine *Pinus densiflora* 'Umbraculifera'

Plant Features:

- Slow growing with longer needles
- Red orange exfoliating bark
- Moderate water needed
- Some light pruning needed if shaping is wanted.
- 10-20 ft tall and 15-20 ft wide at maturity
- Hardy zones 3-7





Bristlecone Pine

Pinus aristata

Plant Features:

- Slow growing tree native to Great Basin
- True species can get 40+ ft tall. Dwarf cultivations 10-15 ft high and 10 ft wide and less
- Full sun
- Grows in Rocky, poor soils
- Moderate water needed
- Very informal look and shape
- Hardy to zone 4



White Pine *Pinus Strobus*

Plant Features:

- Fast grower- up to 2 ft per year.
- Long soft blue-green needles
- Prefers soils that are more moist but well drained
- Height is up to 80 ft with a spread of 20-4-ft. Dwarf cultivations are in the market
- Full sun
- Hardy zones 3-8



Japanese Umbrella Pine *Sciadopitys verticillata*

Plant Features:

- Pyramidal in shape
- Unique and slow growing
- Average height of 25-30 feet and 15 ft wide
- Sun-loving
- Green soft umbrella shaped needle arrangement
- Hardy to zones 5-8
- May need a loose wrap when young to keep branches from bending in heavy snow.



Limber Pine

Pinus flexilis

Plant Features:

- Pyramidal in shape, soft blue-ish needles
- Very flexible branches
- Fast grower
- Native to Utah
- 25-35 ft tall and 15 ft wide
- Sun-loving
- Hardy to zone 4



Lacebark Pine *Pinus bungeana*

Plant Features:

- Has a very unique and mottled bark
- Height is 20-30 ft. and 20+ wide
- Sun-loving
- Prefers moist, but needs well drained soils, can tolerate drought. Will die if constantly wet
- There are several cultivars with varied characteristics
- Hardy to zones 4





Pinyon Pine

Pinus edulis

Plant Features:

- Native to the intermountain west.
- Produces an edible nut in the cones
- Conical shaped when young, maturing to broad and rounded
- Mature height can be 30+ ft by 25 ft wide
- Very water efficient and drought tolerant
- Needles about 2 inches long
- Hardy to zone 3



Scotch Pine

Pinus sylvestris

Plant Features:

- Known for its reddish bark and 2 inch long needles
- Needles often change color in winter
- Plant height 40-50 by 30 ft wide
- Conical when young and irregular shape when mature
- Hardy to zone 3
- Prefers well drained soils



Hillside Creeper



Black Pine or Japanese Black Pine *Pinus thunbergiana*

Plant Features:

- Conical in shape when young, spreading when mature
- 25-35 ft tall and wide
- Long lived and relatively fast grower 20+ inches per year
- Tolerant of most soils
- Full sun to part shade
- Hardy to zone 5





Red Cone Pine or Bosnian Pine *Pinus heldreichii* 'Leucodermis'

Plant Features:

- Medium Growth Rate
- Medium water needs, but drought tolerant
- 50-70 ft high by 20-40 ft wide
- Prefers full sun
- Tolerant of most soil conditions but good drainage
- Hardy to Zone 3



Firs

Firs are great specimen trees in the landscape with soft needles and erect cones. Firs are used for Christmas trees and have a range of color from silvery blue to dark green.



White Fir

Abies concolor

Plant Features:

- Silvery blue soft needles
 - Cones point upward
 - Tolerant of most soils if well drained
 - Drought tolerant
 - Species very large at 50-60 ft high by 30 ft wide
 - Conical in shape its whole life
 - Hardy to Zone 3
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- There are smaller cultivars :
 - Conica
 - Fastigiata
 - Blue Cloak





Douglas Fir

Pseudotsuga menziesii

Plant Features:

- Attractive and fast growing
- Species can get 50-80 ft tall and 30 ft wide
- Hardy to zone 3



Cannan Balsam Fir *Abies balsamea*

Plant Features:

- Soft, very conical shape and nice color
- Can grow to 40-55 ft tall and 20-25 ft wide
- Desires moist and well drained soil
- Hardy to zone 4



Frasure Fir *Abies fraseri*

Plant Features:

- Mostly used for Christmas trees
- Very conical, soft, dark green, flat needles.
- Prefers well drained soils, some extra moisture will encourage faster growth.
- Height to 30-50 ft by 20 ft wide
- Hardy to zone 4



Spruce

Spruces are grown and used in the lumber industry in addition to specimen trees in a landscape. There are dozens of varieties of spruce and many cultivations including dwarf varieties

Norway Spruce

Picea abies

Plant Features:

- Very pyramidal shape
- Can grow up to 60 ft tall and 30 ft wide
- Has attractive dark green foliage on drooping branches and produces decorative, purplish-red cones.
- An excellent choice for windbreaks or specimen plantings on large properties.
- Full sun
- Prefers good drainage
- Hardy to zone 3



Weeping 'Pendula'-12-15 ft high and drooping, sweeping branches

Dwarf 'Pumila'; 3-4 ft high, 5-6 ft wide

Cupressina; 20-30 ft tall and 6 ft wide (columnar)



Colorado Blue Spruce

Picea pungens

Plant Features:

- Popular and heavily used because its strong pyramidal shape and silvery, blue color
- Large at maturity to 60 ft tall and 30 ft wide
- Many cultivations exist
- Tolerates most soils but needs good drainage
- Hardy to zone 4

- Some Cultivars:

- 'Blue Totem'; 12-15 ft high, 2-3 ft wide
- 'Fat Albert'; 12-15 ft high, 10-12 ft wide
- 'Montgomery'; 5 ft high, 5 ft wide
- 'Glauca Globosa'; 3-5 ft high, 5-6 ft wide
- 'Baby Blue Eyes'; 15-30 ft high, 15 ft wide
- 'Procumbens' ; 1 ft tall, 10 ft wide





White Spruce *Picea glauca*

Plant Features:

- Bluish needles for an attractive look
- Species grows 40-60 ft tall and up to 20 ft wide
- Full sun
- Medium water, well drained soils
- Hardy in zones 2-6



Weeping White Spruce *Picea glauca* 'Pendula'

Plant Features:

- Stately tree that stays very narrow and upright
- Will grow 25-35 ft tall and 5-6 ft wide
- Prefers acidic soils but tolerates most soils
- Great specimen tree or for smaller yards where width is an issue
- Full Sun to part shade
- Hardy to zone 3



Columnar Wells Black Spruce *Picea mariana* 'Fastigiata'

Plant Features:

- Small narrow columnar shape
- Tolerant of shade
- Great for areas where a structure may shade it
- Tolerant of most soils but needs good drainage
- Hardy to zone 4



Serbian Spruce

Picea omorika

Plant Features:

- Nicer narrow pyramidal shape
- Great specimen tree with gently drooping branches
- Grows to 50-60 ft tall and 20-25 ft wide
- Prefers full sun
- Great in Alkaline, dry soils, but still likes drainage
- Hardy to zone 4

Cultivations: (there are many)

Dwarf Serbian spruce (*Picea omorika* 'Nana'): A dwarf cultivar growing 8 to 10 feet high. Shape is conical to globose.

Sky Trails Serbian spruce (*Picea omorika* 'Sky Trails'): Blue-green needles with contrasting white bands underneath; weeping habit.



'Pendula Brunns'

A vibrant garden scene featuring a variety of juniper trees and other greenery. In the foreground, there are several types of juniper, including a tall, slender one and a shorter, bushier one with yellowish-green foliage. The background is filled with more dense green trees and shrubs under a clear blue sky. The overall atmosphere is bright and natural.

Junipers

Junipers have a bad reputation based on the old original varieties, the 'Phitzers'. There are some great selections and colors that can meet the needs of a landscape that many other plant types cannot

Trautman



Shimpaku



Chinese Juniper *Juniperous chinensis*

Plant Features:

- Group of trees and shrubs with unique growth habits and good range of tolerance
- Used as a replacement for Cypress where conditions for Cypress are not ideal.
- Hardy to zone 2

Cultvars include:

1. Trautman- 15 ft tall, 4 ft wide
2. Shimpaku- 3 ft tall, 6 ft wide
3. Daub's Frosted- 2 ft tall, 8 ft wide
4. Spartan- 15 ft tall , 3-5 ft wide



Daub's Frosted

Spartan



Compressa



Common Juniper *Juniperous communis*

Plant Features:

- Group of trees and shrubs with a huge range geographical range.
- Some upright and some very low to the ground
- Very tough and tolerant of many soils and water conditions
- Hardy to zone 2

Cultivars include:

1. Compressa – 3 ft tall, 1 ft wide
2. Green Carpet -4 ft tall, 2 ft wide
3. Gold Cone – 4 ft tall, 2 ft wide
4. Miniature- 3 ft tall, 18 inches wide

Green Carpet



Gold Cone

Miniature



Blue Rug

Horizontal or Creeping Juniper *Juniperus horizontalis*

Plant Features:

- Known as the creeping junipers
- Low to the ground and shrubby very tough and tolerant all over North America
- Range of color from very blue to bright green and yellow gold
- Grows with low water but prefers well drained soil
- Height range up to 18 inches as low as 3 inches
- Hardy zones 3-9



Bar Harbor



Blue Chip



Skyrocket Juniper *Juniperous virginiana 'Skyrocket'*

Plant Features:

- Very columnar and aromatic, Silver Blue green foliage
- Height of 15 ft tall, 2-3 ft wide
- Part to full sun
- Fairly fast grower – 1-2 ft per year
- Hardy zones 4-9



Blue Star Juniper Juniper *Juniperous squamata* 'Blue Star

Plant Features:

- Cultivated from a fairly large tree, this is a dwarf, globe shaped mound of silver, blue foliage that changes to purplish blue in winter.
- Slow growing, compact
- Height 1-3 ft by 1-4 ft wide
- Low maintenance, low water
- Hardy to zone 4 to 8
- Several other varieties of *Juniperous squamata*







Yews

Yews are a great evergreen for shaded spaces and produce an edible berry. There are several varieties and cultivations that are shorter, or taller, and they can be pruned and shaped to meet desired needs



Dark Green Spreading Yew *Taxus media*

Plant Features:

- Rich dark green needles
- Dense, multi-stemmed shrub with ground-hugging habit
- Height 4 ft width 6 ft.
- Performs well in full sun or full shade, best with evenly moist conditions, will not tolerate standing water
- Hardy to zone 4





Hicks Upright Yew *Taxus media* 'Hicksii'

Plant Features:

- Excellent for hedges or privacy screens
- Branches are dense with dark green foliage with naturally columnar habit
- Full sun to full shade
- Slow grower to 10 to 12 ft high and 3-4 ft wide
- Regular watering and will struggle in extreme heat
- Hardy to zone 4-7



Cedars

A large, mature blue cedar tree with dense, silvery-blue needles is the central focus of the image. It stands in a well-maintained residential landscape. To the left, a portion of a brick house with a grey shingled roof and a turret is visible. To the right, a dark brown fence with a black gate and white pillars is seen. The background is filled with lush green trees and foliage, suggesting a park-like or estate setting.

These are the true Cedars that hail from the Mediterranean and western Himalayas. They are a unique specimen plant now used in the landscape for varied texture and year round interest.



Atlas Cedar *Cedrus atlantica* 'Fastigata'

Plant Features:

- Great color with narrow, upright form
- Blue-Green needles
- 25 ft tall by 12 ft wide
- Grows 15+ inches per year
- Hardy to zone 5





Horstmann Blue Atlas Cedar *Cedrus atlantica* 'Horstmann'

Plant Features:

- Semi dwarf, with icy blue foliage in a compact form.
- A bit irregular shape provides year round interest
- Used as a specimen tree
- Slower growth Rate 6 inches per year
- 8-10 ft tall, 5-6 ft wide
- Hardy to zone 5-9



Blue Atlas Cedar *Cedrus atlantica* 'Glauca'

Plant Features:

- Large tree
- Popular pyramidal shaped tree, with silver blue needles
- An open look, but an elegant tree
- Hardy to zone 5-9
- There are weeping varieties





Deodara Cedar *Cedrus deodara* 'Kashmir'

Plant Features:

- Typical upright tree form of the Himalayan cedar.
- Long silvery gray needles
- 10 ft tall by 4-5 ft wide
- Growth rate of about 12 inches per year
- Hardy to zone 5



Cedar of Lebanon *Cedrus libani*

Plant Features:

- Very large tree,
- Very stately, used for a high quality wood in some areas
- Hardy to zone 5-9



Cyprus

Any of 12 species of ornamental and timber evergreens. There are also False Cypress in this group



Nootka Cypress *Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* 'Glauca'

Plant Features:

- Very Beautiful tree.
- Dense conical shape with soft Blue-Green Foliage
- Grows up to 25 ft tall and 15 ft wide
- Full sun to part shade
- Low maintenance, prefers a little more water but well drained
- Hardy zone 4-7



Compact Hinoki Cypress *Chamaecyparis obtuse* 'Compacta'

Plant Features:

- Slow Grower at 1-5 inches per year
- Interesting look and great specimen plant
- Height of 12-15 ft tall and 3 ft wide
- Hardy to zone 5-8





Leland Cypress

Cupressocyparis leylandii

Plant Features:

- Dense emerald green foliage
- Fast Grower of up to 3 ft per year
- Can reach 20-30 ft tall and 20 ft wide
- Great privacy screen, can be hedged
- Tolerates most soils and conditions
- Does not thrive in extreme heat
- Hardy to zone 5-9



Fernspray False Cypress *Chamaecyparis obtusa* 'Filicoides'

Plant Features:

- Small evergreen with open irregular shape
 - Excellent in large planters or as an accent plant.
 - Soft fernlike foliage
 - Hardy zone 4-8
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- There are many more cultivations of Cypress and False Cypress that are worth considering. Check local nurseries for available options. There are tall weeping, to short rounded and even grafted patio tree types.

A row of tall, conical evergreen trees, likely Arborvitae, planted in a garden. The trees are arranged in a line, with a path or driveway visible in the foreground. In the background, there are other trees and a wooden structure, possibly a shed or gazebo.

Arborvitae

Prized group for fast growing, easy to care for year-round interest. Good for hedge plants and screening
Deer have been known to eat them and heavy winter snow can bend down branches



Emerald Green Arborvitae *Thuja occidentalis* 'Emerald Green'

Plant Features:

- Semi dwarf cultivar with vary narrow, pyramidal shape
- Foliage is flat sprays of glossy bright green
- Most range from 7-15 ft tall and 2-3 ft wide
- Good screen or foundation plant
- Full sun to part shade
- Prefers moderately moist soils
- Hardy zones 2-7



Degroot's Spire Arborvitae *Thuja occidentalis* 'Emerald Green'

Plant Features:

- Tall, narrow form perfect for between buildings or along narrow walkways.
- Turns slightly purple in winter
- Hardy and reliable
- Slow Grower
- To 20 ft tall and 4-5 ft wide
- Hardy zones 3-8



Bald Cypress

Taxodium distichum

Plant Features:

- Really great tree but can get very large
- Can grow 50-70 ft tall and 20-30 ft high
- Full sun
- Is adaptable to many site conditions
- Turns brown and drops its needles in the winter (its not dead)
- Hardy zones 4-9



Blue Giant Sequoia

Sequoiadendron giganteum 'Glaucum'

Plant Features:

- Very nice specimen plant, majestic in an upright columnar form with a light blue foliage
- Long lived tree (200 yrs if conditions are good)
- Grows to 50 ft tall, 30 ft wide
- Weeping variety available also
- Hardy zone 4





Non-Needled Evergreens

There is a range of plants, mostly shrubs that are evergreen without needles. Serve to provide all season interest in the landscape



Curl-Leaf Mountain Mahogany *Cercocarpus ledifolius*

Plant Features:

- Evergreen shrub, native to Utah
- Does have a flower, but not showy
- Full sun
- Very low water needs, drought tolerant
- Slow to moderate growth
- 6-12 ft tall, 5-10 ft wide
- Zone 3-8





Green Velvet Boxwood Buxus x 'Green Velvet'

Plant Features:

- Naturally compact
- Very useful as a foundation plant or for a low hedge if planted closely together
- Minimal Maintenance
- Holds color all winter
- Can be sheared or shaped for more formal settings.
- Size: 3'H x 4'W
- Globe Shaped
- Sun to Partial Shade
- Zone 5

There are many other varieties of boxwood for larger size, or more upright and some color variation



Boxleaf Euonymus *Euonymus japonicus* 'Microphyllus'

Plant Features:

- Rounded, very compact shrub with glossy dark green leaves
- Ideal for small landscapes because of its dwarf size
- Can be grown in containers
- Needs regular watering
- Hardy Zone 5-9





Green Spire Euonymus *Euonymus japonicus* 'Green Spire'

Plant Features:

- Narrow, upright fast growing shrub
- Excellent for narrow hedges or accent plant, or for tight spaces where some privacy is desired
- Evergreen, glossy dark-green leaves
- 6-8 ft tall, 1-2 ft wide
- Hardy zones 5-9



Sky Pencil Holly *Ilex crenata* 'Sky Pencil'

Plant Features:

- Narrow, columnar form with dark green foliage year round.
- Can have small purple berries if there is a male pollinator nearby.
- Leaves do not have the sharp points, making it ideal for decks, patios or entryways or for screening
- Needs regular watering
- 6-8 ft tall and 2-3 ft wide
- Hardy zones 5-9



Creeping Oregon Grape *Mahonia repens*

Plant Features:

- Native to Utah
- Spreading woody shrub
- Full sun or Full shade
- Drought tolerant, but will tolerate moist conditions
- 1-2 ft tall and 3-4 ft wide
- Turns slightly purple in winter
- Edible berry
- Hardy zones 4-8



Kinnickinnick or Bearberry *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*

Plant Features:

- Evergreen shrub, very low to the ground, mat forming
- Slow to moderate growth
- Does produce an edible berry- not great flavor
- Spreading woody shrub
- Full sun to part shade
- Drought tolerant but does need regular watering
- Usually less than 1 ft tall and 4-6 ft wide
- Hardy zones 2-6

There are others. Check nurseries for more

Daphne

Lavendar

Boxwood

Laurel

Dwarf Yucca

Ice Plant

Creeping Flox

Turkish Veronic

English Ivy

Vinca...



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looks you hope to
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