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Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress

Chamaecyparis lawsoniana 'Pygmy'

Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: Oregon Cedar, Port Orford Cedar

Description:

A garden shrub that is much smaller than the species, forming a dense rounded ball of attractive bright green foliage without the need for pruning, makes a wonderful evergreen garden accent

Ornamental Features

Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has white evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage remain white throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Pygmy Lawson Falsecypress will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

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This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.

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