



Liempde White Willow

Salix alba 'Liempde'

Height: 60 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ☐

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

A narrowly pyramidal tree producing green foliage with silver undersides; adaptable to all soils; makes an excellent windbreak; tends to drop branchlets, aggressive root system, so do not plant near homes

Ornamental Features

Liempde White Willow has attractive green foliage with silver undersides on a tree with a columnar habit of growth. The narrow leaves are highly ornamental and turn yellow in fall. The furrowed brown bark and yellow branches add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Liempde White Willow is a dense deciduous tree with a narrowly upright and columnar growth habit. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a high maintenance tree that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Messy
- Invasive

Liempde White Willow is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Shade
- Windbreaks and Shelterbelts

Planting & Growing

Liempde White Willow will grow to be about 60 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.



Liempde White Willow
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This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is an amazingly adaptable plant, tolerating both dry conditions and even some standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.