Green Candle Mugo Pine

Pinus mugo 'Green Candle'



Green Candle Mugo Pine
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Mugho Pine, Swiss Mountain Pine

Description:

A dense, dwarf variety noted for its spring display of crowded light green shoots that look like so many candles; a very attractive and unique plant for the garden or landscape



Green Candle Mugo Pine foliage
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Ornamental Features

Green Candle Mugo Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has dark green evergreen foliage which emerges light green in spring. The needles remain dark green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Green Candle Mugo Pine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Green Candle Mugo Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Green Candle Mugo Pine will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in 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, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.