Hillier Japanese White Pine

Pinus parviflora 'Hillier'



Hillier Japanese White Pine
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Height: 10 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A slower growing selection that will maintain an upright and thin, open form when young, and then widen with age; its silvery blue-green needles appear bright making this an impressive selection as an accent specimen

Ornamental Features

Hillier Japanese White Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its rigidly columnar form. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The small needles are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Hillier Japanese White Pine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a narrowly upright and columnar growth habit. 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.

Hillier Japanese White Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Hillier Japanese White Pine will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. 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 60 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.