Golden Candles White Pine

Pinus strobus 'Golden Candles'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Eastern White Pine

Description:

A highly attractive broadly conical tree with dazzing golden candles and yellow new foliage in spring; color matures to a light green by late summer; an outstanding accent evergreen for the home landscape

Ornamental Features

Golden Candles White Pine is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive light green evergreen foliage which emerges yellow in spring. The needles are highly ornamental and remain light green throughout the winter. The furrowed gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Golden Candles White Pine is an evergreen tree with a strong central leader and a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Insects
- Disease



Golden Candles White Pine
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Golden Candles White Pine foliage
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Golden Candles White Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening

Planting & Growing

Golden Candles White Pine will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. This is a selection of a native North American species.