Cantab Coast Redwood

Sequoia sempervirens 'Cantab'



Cantab Coast Redwood
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 50 feet

Spread: 40 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 7

Other Names: California Redwood, Prostrate Coast Redwood

Description:

This redwood variety is a low growing, prostrate variety when occasional leaders are removed, but will grow to a large tree if left alone; lovely red-brown, spongy bark and aromatic foliage make this a beautiful accent for the garden or massed on borders



Cantab Coast Redwood foliage
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Ornamental Features

Cantab Coast Redwood is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has rich green evergreen foliage which emerges white in spring. The fragrant sprays of foliage remain green throughout the winter. The furrowed brick red bark is extremely showy and adds significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Cantab Coast Redwood 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 is a relatively low maintenance tree, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Cantab Coast Redwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent

Planting & Growing

Cantab Coast Redwood will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 40 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 200 years or more; think of this as a heritage tree for future generations!

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate 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. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.