Hancock Weeping Redcedar

Juniperus virginiana 'Hancock Weeping'

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Eastern Red Cedar

Description:

A distinctive and refined upright evergreen with delicate sprays of soft blue-green foliage on a pendulous, weeping form; fine texture looks fuzzy from afar; good choice for an elegant accent in the garden or landscape; requires full sun for best growth



Hancock Weeping Redcedar
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Ornamental Features

Hancock Weeping Redcedar is primarily valued in the landscape for its highly ornamental weeping form. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Hancock Weeping Redcedar is an open evergreen tree with a strong central leader and a rounded form and gracefully weeping branches. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Hancock Weeping Redcedar is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- General Garden Use



Hancock Weeping Redcedar foliage
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Planting & Growing

Hancock Weeping Redcedar will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 years or more.

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 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 selection of a native North American species.