All Spruced Up Blue Spruce

Picea pungens 'All Spruced Up'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Blue Colorado Spruce;Colorado Blue Spruce

Description:

A formal shaped evergreen accent tree featuring dense, sturdy branches of beautiful silvery-blue needles; very showy and unique, an ideal vertical focal point for home landscapes; very hardy and adaptable

Ornamental Features

All Spruced Up Blue Spruce is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive blue foliage with hints of gray which emerges silvery blue in spring. The needles are highly ornamental and remain blue throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

All Spruced Up Blue Spruce is a dense evergreen tree with a strong central leader and a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. 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.

All Spruced Up Blue Spruce is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening



All Spruced Up Blue Spruce
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All Spruced Up Blue Spruce foliage
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Planting & Growing

All Spruced Up Blue Spruce will grow to be about 25 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 60 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. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. 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.



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