Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine

Pinus parviflora 'Ibo-Can'

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Ibokan

Description:

A slow growing variety that will maintain a spreading densely branched upright form; its silvery blue and green needles are bunched in groups of five making this an impressive selection as an accent specimen

Ornamental Features

Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive grayish green evergreen foliage which emerges silvery blue in spring. The twisted needles are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with 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 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.

Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine
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Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine foliage
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Planting & Growing

Ibo-Can Japanese White Pine will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. 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.