Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine

Pinus strobus 'Verkade's Broom'



Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Eastern White Pine

Description:

A refined evergreen garden shrub with a dense, round to mounded habit of growth with a flatter top later in its life, features bright green needles; very compact and slow growing, excellent for detail in home gardens or for rock or alpine gardens

Ornamental Features

Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its interestingly mounded form. It has light green evergreen foliage. The needles remain light green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub 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

Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Verkade's Broom Eastern WhitePine will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub 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.