

Norfolk Island Pine

Araucaria heterophylla

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9b

Description:

A very fine ornamental tree that is pyramidal in habit with a very straight trunk; foliage is soft to touch and finely delicate; an amazing indoor accent tree that is tolerant of most soils; locate in a bright area

Features & Attributes

Norfolk Island Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the home for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. Its attractive small pointy leaves remain light green in color throughout the year.

This is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. Its extremely fine and delicate texture is quite ornamental and should be used to full effect. This plant usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning.



Norfolk Island Pine foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Norfolk Island Pine can be expected to grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.