



Species: *Taxus baccata*

(taks'us ba-kay'tah)

English Yew; Common Yew

Cultivar Information

Many cultivars and varieties exist for this species. Below is a selection of what this species has to offer.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 30' - 60' (15' - 25' spread)

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: broad-rounded; wide-spreading; tree or shrub

Ornamental Other: sun or shade

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade, Shade

Hardy To Zone: 5b

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Environmental Other: sun or shade

Insect Disease

Taxus mealy-bug; black vine weevil; Taxus scale; yew-gall midge

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

Native to Europe, Africa and Asia; transplant B & B; highly toxic to horses; commonly used

Cultivars for *Taxus baccata*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Adpressa	'Adpressa' - short needles; large shrub or small tree
Adpressa Fowle	'Adpressa Fowle' - more compact
Aurea	'Aurea' ('Aurescens') - golden needles
Fastigiata	'Fastigiata' - columnar
Repandans	'Repandans' - low, wide-spreading; better in zone 5
Amersfoort	'Amersfoort' - upright, dwarf form; outward to ascending branching habit; covered with tiny, stubby, flat dark green needles (1/4 to 1/2" long); grows very slowly (6-9" per year) to 5-8' tall over the first 10 years
Fastigiata Aureomarginata	'Fastigiata Aureomarginata' - columnar form; gold foliage
Erecta	'Erecta' - slender, stiff, erect, bushy habit; smaller needles than species
Golden Dwarf	'Golden Dwarf' - dwarf, compact, narrow form; dark green needles with light yellow margin at tips; grows to 5' tall x 2' wide in 10 years
Green Diamond	'Green Diamond' - miniature form; dark-green tiny needles; grows to 10" tall x 5" wide in 10 years
Dovastoniana Aurea Pendula	'Dovastoniana Aurea Pendula' - dwarf form; central leader with weeping side branches; staking may be necessary when the plant is young; light yellow needles; grows to 6' tall x 3' wide (if staked) in 10 years
Dovastoniana Pendula	'Dovastoniana Pendula' - central leader with weeping side branches; deep green foliage; grows to 7' tall x 4' wide in 10 years
Green Column	'Green Column' - dwarf, narrow, compact form; short oval-shaped rich dark-green leaves; grows to 3' tall x 1' wide in 10 years
Intermezzo	'Intermezzo' - slow-growing; narrow columnar form; dark green needles variegated with gold, some patches are totally gold, some half-and-half, and some areas are completely green; grows to 5' tall x 2' wide in 10 years
Silver Spire	'Silver Spire' - dwarf, narrow, upright form; tiny green leaves variegated with silver; grows to 5' tall x 2' wide in 10 years
Silver Spirit	'Silver Spirit' - slow-growing; compact columnar form; dark green needles have a silver edge; grows to 5' tall x 2' wide in 10 years

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Standishii	'Standishii' - slow-growing; narrow compact form; dark green needles with a cast of light gold; grows to 3' tall x 1' wide in 10 years
Watnong Gold	'Watnong Gold' - dwarf, spreading form; foliage is bright gold in full sun, but greenish yellow in shade; grows to 3' tall x 4' wide in 10 years

Photos



Taxus baccata - Bark, Habit



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Taxus baccata - Leaves



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