

# Species: Pinus aristata

(pye'nus ar-iss-tay'tah)

**Bristlecone** Pine

### **Cultivar Information**

Several cultivars exist for this species, many are dwarfs and rare in cultivation.

\* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

#### **C**rnamental Characteristics

Size: Tree < 30 feet</li>
Height: 8' - 20' (spread irregular - to 40')
Leaves: Evergreen
Shape: shrubby and low, picturesque habit
Ornamental Other: Exceptionally slow growing.

#### Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun Hardy To Zone: 4a Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0) Environmental Other: Foliage can burn in cold, windy climates will not tolerate smoke-polluted air.

#### Insect Disease

In Northeast US white pine blight may cause browning of needles; generally insect problems are not chronic; possible problems may include dieback, rusts, blights, canker, aphids and more.

Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

## Other

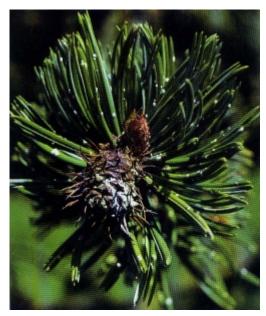
Difficult to cultivate; best transplanted from container; one of the oldest living plants - some trees have been documented to be 4,000 years old. Native to southwest US.

# Cultivars for Pinus aristata

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Cecilia	dwarf, dense, rounded
Sherwood Compact	dwarf, rounded, short needles
Formal Form	'Formal Form' - narrow upright form; bluish green foliage; 1 1/2"-long needles grow in bundles of five that radiate around the ascending branches, giving each the look of a bottlebrush
Joe's Bess	'Joe's Bess' - dwarf habit; broad upright form; bluish green foliage; uniform shape
Blue Heron	'Blue Heron' - particularly blue-green foliage
Blue Bear	'Blue Bear' - extremely thickly branched; blueish green coloring; growth rate of 4 - 6" per year
Lemon Frost	'Lemon Frost'- golden to yellow-green foliage

# Photos



Pinus aristata - Cone



Pinus aristata - Leaves



Pinus aristata - Leaves



Pinus aristata - Leaves



Pinus aristata - Leaves



Pinus aristata - Buds



Pinus aristata - Cone



Pinus aristata - Leaves



Pinus aristata - Sap Dots