



Species: *Pinus rigida*

(pye'nus rij'i-dah)

Pitch Pine; Northern Pitch Pine

Cultivar Information

This eminently salt, cold, and poor-soil tolerant native is severely under-utilized in the field. Due to the increasing pest and disease intolerance of exotic pines (*P. nigra*, *P. thunbergii*, etc.) it is likely that this wonderful species will see more use in the field and as a result greater selection.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 40' - 60' (spread 30' x 50')

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: irregularly pyramidal

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3a

Soil Ph: Requires acid (pH 5.0 to 7.0)

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray, Tolerates salty soil

Environmental Other: Full sun required; susceptible to wind burn. Requires excellent drainage and prefers sandy soil.

Insect Disease

affected by diseases common to all pines

Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

Other

Native to coastal and Eastern US. Transplant B & B in spring or fall

Cultivars for *Pinus rigida*

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| Cultivar Name | Notes |
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| Sand Beach | 'Sand Beach' - low-growing, prostrate form; densely borne, medium green foliage of heavy texture; superior salt tolerance, cold hardiness and acceptance of poor soil |
| Sherman Eddy | 'Sherman Eddy' (a.k.a. 'Little Giant') - slow-growing, dwarf rounded form; bright green, long needles; suitable for cultivation in poor soil |

Photos



Pinus rigida - Bark



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Pinus rigida - Leaves



Pinus rigida - Habit



Pinus rigida - Cones



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