



## Species: *Taxus cuspidata*

(taks'us kus-pi-day'tah)

### Japanese 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, Shrub > 8 feet, Shrub 4 to 8 feet, Shrub < 4 feet

Height: 3' - 30'

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: Irregular, loose- spreading, upright branching

Ornamental Other:

#### Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade, Shade

Hardy To Zone: 4b

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

Environmental Other: Sun or shade; pollution and shearing tolerant; cold tolerant

#### Insect Disease

SEVERE DEER BROWSE

#### Bare Root Transplanting

Moderately difficult

## Other

Native to Japan, Korea, Manchuria; transplant containerized or B & B in spring or fall

Cultivars for *Taxus cuspidata*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Capitata	'Capitata' - tree form used for hedging
Densa	'Densa' - dark green needles; broad mounded
Nana	'Nana' - compact form; dark green needles
Aurescens	'Aurescens' - dwarf, low-growing, compact form; bright gold emerging needles contrast nicely with older green ones; grows to 2' tall x 3' wide in 10 years
Bright Gold	'Bright Gold' - broad upright form; gold needles in full sun or green-gold in shade; grows to 3' tall x 2' wide in 10 years
Minute Westons	'Minute Westons' - dwarf, narrow, columnar form; tiny glossy-green needles; grows to 30" tall x 8" wide in 10 years
Columnaris	'Columnaris' - similar to 'Capitata' in most respects; grows more narrowly and quicker; foliage holds green color all year
Expansa	'Expansa' - broader than tall; open, vase-shaped habit

## Photos



*Taxus cuspidata* - Seeds



*Taxus cuspidata* - Bark



*Taxus cuspidata* - Bark, Habit



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*Taxus cuspidata* - Bark



*Taxus cuspidata* - Leaves



*Taxus cuspidata* - Leaves



*Taxus cuspidata* - Buds



*Taxus cuspidata* - Leaves