



Species: *Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* (*Calitropsis nootkatensis*, *Xanthocyparis nootkatensis*)

(kam-uh-sip'ah-ris noot-kah-ten'sis)

Alaska Cedar; Nootka Falsecypress; Yellow Cypress

Cultivar Information

There are many cultivars, particularly weeping varieties. Below are a few of the more unique and easier to find.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet

Height: 30' - 45' (spread 10' - 20')

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: graceful; pyramidal, conical; drooping branches

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 4a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to neutral soil (pH 5.0 to 7.4)

Environmental Other: prefers full sun; tolerant of partial shade; prefers cool moist summers

Insect Disease

relatively free of insect problems; susceptible to mistle infestation in hot summers

Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

Other

native from Alaska to Oregon

Cultivars for *Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* (*Calitropsis nootkatensis*,
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Cultivar Name	Notes
Aurea	'Aurea' - compact; slow growth; 3' x 6' in 10 years
Pendula	'Pendula' - weeping; graceful; more cold-hardy
Compacta	'Compacta' - narrow, pyramidal form; slow growth; 3 - 5' with a spread of 2 to 2.5'; blue green foliage
Glauca	'Glauca' - blue-green foliage
Green Arrow	'Green Arrow' - columnar form, mature width of 5'
Aureovariegata	'Aureovariegata' - semi-variegated foliage
Sparkling Arrow	'Sparkling Arrow' - columnar habit; 8' tall x 1' wide in 10 years; creamy-white variegation
Van den Akker	'Van den Akker' - columnar habit; 10' tall x 1' wide in 10 years
Aldrich Mt.	'Aldrich Mt.' - cold hardy form, possibly a relic of the last ice age. Found at 5300 ft. on Aldrich Mountain in Central Oregon; thought to be a sub-species we now believe this is a high altitude <i>Thuja plicata</i> ; possibly a cross between the two genuses
Laura Aurora	'Laura Aurora' - dwarf; 3' tall x 2' wide in 10 years; yellow and green variegated foliage; particularly hardy to Zone 3

Photos



Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Habit



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Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Leaves, Cones



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Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Bark



Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Habit



Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Leaves, Cones