



## Species: *Chamaecyparis pisifera*

(kam-uh-sip'ah-ris pie-sif'er-uh)

Japanese or Sawara Falsecypress

### Cultivar Information

Many cultivars, grouped into four categories: normal (like the species); Filifera (Threadleaf Falsecypress - stringy texture); Plumosa (Plume Falsecypress); Squarrosa (Moss Falsecypress - soft, wide-spreading foliage)

\* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

### Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree > 30 feet, Shrub 4 to 8 feet

Height: 50' - 70' (spread 10' - 20')

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: pyramidal, loose, open; elegant, spreading branches; drooping branchlets

Ornamental Other:

### Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 5a

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

Environmental Other: full sun to p/shade; prefers cooler climates

### Insect Disease

relatively free of insect/ disease in proper climate

### Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

## Other

native to Japan; not common in U.S.; medium growth rate

Cultivars for *Chamaecyparis pisifera*

Showing **1-9** of **9** items.

Cultivar Name	Notes
Boulevard	'Boulevard' - squarrosa group; dense pyramidal habit; soft, silvery blue-gray foliage; slow growing, typically reaching 5-6' tall in 10 years; mature size of 12-15' tall
Golden Mop	'Golden Mop' (a.k.a. 'Filifera Aurea Nana') - semi-dwarf, 4' high x 8' wide golden foliage; threadleaf foliage
Baby Blue Ice	'Baby Blue Ice' dwarf; dense, silvery-blue foliage; upright habit with age; 3' tall x 2.5' wide in 10 years
Curly Tops	'Curly Tops' - globose semi-dwarf; grows very slowly, eventually reaching a mature height of approximately 4-5' tall; metallic blue foliage; twisted and curled branching
Cream Ball	'Cream Ball' - dwarf; grows very slowly (1-2" per year), mature height of approximately 2' tall by 2' wide; gray-green foliage with yellow-green to almost white tips
Ray of Light	Colorful foliage- white, gold, green
Soft Serve	Compact conical form, bright green foliage; 6-10' tall
Soft Serve Gold	Compact, conical form with golden fern-like foliage; 6-10' tall
Sungold	Dwarf, slow growing globe or broad pyramid. Golden thread-like foliage; 2.5-3' tall

## Photos



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Habit



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Leaves



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Habit



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* 'Golden Mop' - Habit



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Habit



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Leaves, Cones



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Bark



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Habit



*Chamaecyparis pisifera* - Cone