

Cady's Falls Nursery

DWARF and UNUSUAL CONIFERS for 2018

PLEASE NOTE: We are digging and potting some of the last grafted plants from our propagation beds. Most (but not all) of the plants listed below will be available in very low numbers for 2018.

Abies concolor (White Fir or Colorado Fir)

'Mike Stern' – An extremely dense, spreading dwarf, three times as wide as high, with blue-gray needles. 1-2 in per yr. A tidy, diminutive plant for the rock garden.

Abies koreana (Korean Fir) A species with hundreds of handsome cultivars, many of which show the silver undersides of the needles.

'Horstmann's Silberlocke' – Extremely re-curved needles with showy silver-white undersides. Unless you routinely remove vertical growth, expect an upright conical tree after several years. 6-8 in per yr.

All of our specimens have been severely pruned and are very showy!

'Silberperl' – A very dense, upright, dwarf form with short needles with flashy white undersides, 1-2in per year. Excellent for rock garden or trough.

Larix decidua (European Larch) – This is a tall, open tree native to Europe. It is very hardy and is adaptable to damp soils. Nice golden bark year round. The needles turn yellow in late October before they fall. These are three year old, well established seedlings in 3-5 inch pots.

Ornamental larch cultivars – We may have a few available this year. We misplaced the inventory.

Picea abies (Norway Spruce) This northern European species has the largest assortment of hardy cultivars of all the conifer species. Needle color varies from deep green to steel blue. Many of the dwarf forms have handsome cinnamon buds that hold their color through the fall and winter.

'Arnold Arboretum Special' – A globose, dwarf form with green needles and prominent thick, silvery stems. This cultivar initiates two types of growth simultaneously, one of 3/4in per year and one of 1 1/2 - 2in per year. We trim off the latter to maintain a better specimen for the rock garden or trough. A few, well established rooted cuttings for 2018.

'Medusa' – A dwarf mounding Norway Spruce with sturdy rounded branches, growing about 2in per year. Originated as a witches' broom on 'Acrocona' which is known for producing attractive female cones at the tips of the branches. We have not seen a mature specimen.

'Soft Mountain' – An upright, irregularly shaped plant without a distinct leader, grows about 6 in. per year. We haven't had this long enough to become familiar with its true characteristics.

'Witches' Brood' – A compact, upright, bushy plant with short thin green needles with the branches characteristically arranged in horizontal sprays. 3-4 in per yr.

Picea engelmannii (Silver Spruce) Native to high elevations of western North America. Very hardy.

'Bush's Lace' – This is a tall erect tree with weeping side branches, the lower ones forming a full skirt around the base. Distinctive blue needles. Grows 12 -16" per year. We do not have a mature specimen in the gardens but we are very excited about this new cultivar.

Picea mariana (Black Spruce) Native to alpine zones, bogs and arctic regions of North America.

'Nana' – This is a classic, well-proven dwarf for the rock garden. A low mound growing 1-1/2in per year with very short blue-green needles. We have small, well established rooted cuttings for 2018. Suitable for troughs.

'Pygmaea' – Nearly indistinguishable from the preceding, somewhat wider and less globose. The names have been confused in the trade and we will leave it up to the gardener to make a choice. A few small, well established rooted cuttings for 2018.

Picea omorica (Serbian Spruce)

'Horstmann' – A handsome, mounding, semi-dwarf specimen with blue green needles with prominent white lines on the undersides, indicative of the species. Our young plants are growing about 3 in per year and are dense and very attractive.

Pinus banksiana (Banks Pine or Jack Pine) A naturally scraggly tree native to the Down East Maine coast and north to the Arctic Circle. Short needles in clusters of twos.

'Black Duck' – Our selection from a batch of witch's broom seedlings from the ledges Corea, Maine. It has short green needles and grows into a dense, upright, irregular plant. 6-8 in. per year. Jack Pines have the unique habit of initiating side shoots as the candles elongate, resulting in rapid and dense growth.

Pinus flexilis – (Limber Pine) Native to high elevations of western North America. Some ancient trees estimated to be over 2000 years old. Needles in bundles of five.

‘Commanche’ – A conical form with short green to gray-green needles. Our young plants are growing 2-4 in. a year. This looks promising but we have not seen mature plants.

‘Kinsie Rose’ – A dwarf globose form with short blue-grey needles. Very tidy plant which originated as a witches broom found by Jerry Morris in Utah. Our young plants look clean and thrifty.

Pinus koreana (Korean Pine) Mature trees produce huge cones with edible pine nuts. Needles in clusters of 5.

‘Jack Corbett’ – A full sized, upright tree with exceptionally long, silver blue-needles. Mature specimens are extremely beautiful. 12- 16 in per year.

Pinus parviflora (Japanese White Pines) These have nice blue needles in bundles of five and tend to cone at an early age. They are generally best when planted in a protected location away from strong winter sun and wind, but over the years, the *P parviflora* cultivars have proven to be remarkably rugged. They respond well to heavy pruning and candling, often setting new buds densely clustered along the stem below the candled shoot, giving this species and many of its cultivars excellent dwarfing and bonsai potential.

‘Aoba Jo’ – An open branched, upright tree with short, bright, blue needles. 6-8 in. per year.

‘Aoi’ – A narrow upright tree with short, blue needles. 6-12” per year.

‘Bergman Seedlings’ – Variable progeny from a legendary mother plant. All are bushy and upright, each offering a unique opportunities for artistic pruning and candling.

‘Cleary’ – An upright tree with distinctive blue needles and a sparse airy habit. 10in per year.

‘Katherine Elizabeth’ – A semi-dwarf, irregular, upright form with short blue-grey needles. An excellent candidate for pruning to maintain a bonsai appearance. 2-4in per year.

‘Kinpo’ – A tidy, semi-dwarf with nicely proportioned, short bluish needles. Its irregular habit can be readily pruned for various sculptural, bonsai effects. 2-4 in per year.

Pinus strobiformis (Southwestern Pine) From the high mountains of southwestern US with needles in bundles of five.

‘Loma Linda’ – A broad pyramidal, semi- dwarf with soft silver-blue foliage. Branching is dense and forms a tight upright mass. 2-4 in per year. We have not seen mature specimens, but our young grafts look very tidy. Hardiness could be an issue but our plants have been unfazed by winter, albeit mostly below the snow.

Pinus strobus (Eastern White Pine) Dwarf and unusual forms of one of our most beautiful native trees.

All have soft needles in bundles of five and are quite winter hardy.

‘Burning Well’ – A truly dwarf white pine with an upright habit and with proportionally short, yellowish needles. 1-2 in per year.

‘Densa’ – An upright, open tree, very similar to the species but smaller in every way, growing only 4-6 in per yr. Young trees look aged and respond well to “bonsai” pruning.

‘Horsford’s Dwarf’ – A compact irregular mound growing 2-3 in. per year. This is the classic, dwarf white pine discovered near Charlotte, Vt.. Originally propagated and introduced to the trade by Greg Williams in the 1950’s.

‘John’s Find’ – An open, low growing, spreading specimen with undulating horizontal branches and with little inclination to shoot upward. 8-10 in per year.

‘Mini Twists’ – A slow growing mound with twisted needles and branches. 4 in per yr.

‘Shaggy Dog’ – An irregular, half-upright spreader with long needles, unruly branches jutting out here and there giving it a distinctive “shaggy” appearance. 6-14in per yr.

Tsuga canadensis (Eastern Hemlock)

‘Cole’s Prostrate’ – This is the classic, prostrate hemlock discovered in the White Mts in 1929. Grows several inches per year and densely covers a large space with time. Plants exposed to sun often have interesting, boney, bonsai habit. Young plants are nice in troughs for several years before they become unwieldy.

‘Little Joe’ – A true dwarf plant with tiny congested green needles, for the rock garden or trough. Grows barely 1 in per year. Best with some shade, especially in winter.

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