

BOSNIAN PINE

Pinus leucodermis

Pine Family (Pinaceae)

Zones: 6-8

Full Sun

Low Water

Location: Amphitheater, Conifer Garden, Rose Garden

The Bosnian Pine is an excellent conifer to have in your garden. It is an evergreen tree with a strong central leader that gives it a conical shape. Its slow rate of growth will have it reaching up to 40 feet tall and 10 feet wide at maturity.

Its needles are a deep, dark green and grow in bundles of two. They are dense and finely textured with very little needle drop. Its incurving branches give it a compact and well-proportioned look. The Bosnian Pine typically has excellent health and is resistant to a variety of pests – also deer resistant.

This wonderful pine tolerates poor soil conditions and is drought tolerant. It is native to dry limestone soils of the Balkans, Italy and Greece. This tree can work well in the landscape as a specimen or a mass planting of three or more.

Cones grow from 1 to 3 inch and are yellowish-brown, but purple when they first emerge, which makes for an interesting look in spring. They will be pollinated the first season, and then the next summer or fall will be fully mature.

