



Little Giant Cedar

Thuja occidentalis 'Little Giant'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Eastern Arborvitae, American Arborvitae

Description:

A compact globe-shaped evergreen shrub, slow growing, ideal for home landscape use, popular as a foundation shrub; hardy and adaptable, best with adequate sun, protect from drying winds

Ornamental Features

Little Giant Cedar is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has forest green evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage remain forest green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Little Giant Cedar is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Little Giant Cedar is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Little Giant Cedar will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.



Little Giant Cedar
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This shrub does best in partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.