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Little Giant White Cedar

Thuja occidentalis "Little Giant"

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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 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 White Cedar has forest green foliage. The scale-like leaves remain forest green through the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant. The shaggy indian red bark is not particularly outstanding.

Landscape Attributes:

Little Giant White 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 relatively low maintenance shrub. 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 White Cedar is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Plant Characteristics:

Little Giant White Cedar will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

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This shrub does best in full sun to partial 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 zones.

This is a selection of a native North American species.