



# Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine Pinus contorta 'Spaan's Dwarf'

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: Lodgepole Pine

## **Description:**

A very unusual garden plant with a mounded rounded form, and short green needles held on an upright branch structure; prefers dry soils, makes a great accent plant for the garden landscape

#### **Ornamental Features**

Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has rich green evergreen foliage. The needles remain green throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine is an open 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.



Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine foliage Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use







## **Planting & Growing**

Spaan's Dwarf Shore Pine will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage shrub for future generations!

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.

