



Densiformis Yew

Taxus x media 'Densiformis'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:   

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

An ideal landscape shrub with a wide-spreading habit, bright green emerging foliage is held against dark evergreen needles in spring; versatile as a garden or foundation shrub, takes pruning very well, will grow larger and more open without pruning

Ornamental Features

Densiformis Yew is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has forest green evergreen foliage which emerges light green in spring. The ferny sprays of foliage remain forest green throughout the winter. The fruits are showy red drupes displayed from early to late fall.

Landscape Attributes

Densiformis Yew is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Densiformis Yew is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



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Planting & Growing

Densiformis Yew 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 medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub performs well in both full sun and full shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate 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, 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid, and parts of it are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so care should be exercised in planting it around children and pets.

Growing Place Choice Plants

Our Growing Place Choice plants are chosen because they are strong performers year after year, staying attractive with less maintenance when planted in the right place.