



# **Blue Mound Swiss Stone Pine**

Pinus cembra 'Blue Mound'

Height: 12 feet Spread: 10 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 3

Other Names: Arolla Pine

## **Description:**

A high caliber but little known small evergreen tree with a broad pyramidal shape, very compact and slow growing; adaptable and hardy, excellent for form, texture and color detail in home gardens or for rock gardens

#### **Ornamental Features**

Blue Mound Swiss Stone Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has attractive bluish-green evergreen foliage. The needles are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Blue Mound Swiss Stone Pine 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 shrub will require occasional maintenance 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.

Blue Mound Swiss Stone Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- General Garden Use

## **Planting & Growing**

Blue Mound Swiss Stone Pine will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 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 to a ripe old age of 100 years or more; think of this as a heritage shrub for future generations!



This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.