

Cupressus x leylandii

(Leyland Cypress)

Leyland cypress is a cross between the Monterey cypress and the Alaskan cedar. It is a very fast-growing, tall tree with feathery green foliage. In small landscapes it must be regularly trimmed or it will outgrow its space. It tolerates salt, drought, and a variety of soil types, and can tolerate severe pruning. There are various cultivars with different colors of foliage.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Cyprès de Leyland
Plant Type: Tree
Origin: Hybird origin
Heat Zones: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Hardiness Zones: 6, 7, 8, 9
Uses: Screen, Hedge, Specimen, Border Plant, Windbreak, Pollution Tolerant / Urban
Size/Shape
Growth Rate: Fast
Tree Shape: Pyramidal, Columnar, oval
Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical
Canopy Density: Dense
Canopy Texture: Fine
Height at Maturity: 8 to 15 m, 15 to 23 m, Over 23
Spread at Maturity: 5 to 8 meters
Time to Ultimate Height: 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Nearly Invisible

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: Less than 5

Leaf Shape: Scale

Leaf Margins: Entire

Leaf Textures: Fine

Leaf Scent: Pleasant

Color(growing season): Green, Blue-Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: False

Flower Color: Brown

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Single Trunk

Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy

Fruit

Fruit Type: Cones

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring

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Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: No

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Moderate

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes

Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: More than 50

Diseases: Canker, Fungus

Edible Parts: None

Pests: Caterpillars, Scales, Aphids

Plant Propagations: Cutting

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