

## Cupressus leylandii 'Variegata'

### (Variegated 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.

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Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Cyprès de Leyland

**Arabic Name:** شجرة السّرو

**Pronunciation:** koo-press-us lay-LAN-dee-eye var-ee-GAY-tuh

**Plant Type:** Tree

**Origin:** Hybrid 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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Leaf Image

### Botanical Description

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#### 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, Variegated, Blue-Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

**Flower Color:** Brown

**Seasons:** Spring

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Has Crownshaft:** False

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Single Trunk

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Cones

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Brown

**Seasons:** Spring

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### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### 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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