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Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir

Abies koreana 'Silberlocke'

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Silberlocke Korean Fir

Description:

A stunning small evergreen with amazing year-long color; new foliage emerges shiny silver in spring, fading to sea green with a prominent silver band, needles are held in whorls which displays the colors prominently; a showy garden accent

Ornamental Features

Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive bluish-green foliage with silver undersides which emerges silver in spring. The needles are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. 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 should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir
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Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir
foliage
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- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Horstmann's Silberlocke Korean Fir will grow to be about 15 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 for 60 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils. 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

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