

## Cryptomeria japonica

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<b>Plant Type</b>	Evergreen
<b>Size</b>	50-60' high and ½ as wide
<b>Form</b>	Pyramidal, conical
<b>Texture</b>	Medium
<b>Foliage</b>	Spirally arranged, simple, entire, awl-shaped, 4 angled ¼-¾" long, curving inwards and tapering to a blunt point at the tip, bright green to bluish green, each leaf base spreads to clasp the stem, often bronze-green in winter.
<b>Stem</b>	Green
<b>Bark</b>	Reddish-brown, peeling in long strips
<b>Buds</b>	
<b>Flowers and Fruit</b>	Flowers are inconspicuous, fruit is a cone, ½-1", dark brown
<b>Exposure</b>	Sun to light shade
<b>Soil</b>	Moist well drained, pH 5.0-6.7
<b>Growth Rate</b>	Medium
<b>Hardiness</b>	5-8
<b>Uses</b>	Specimens, screens, groupings
<b>Maintenance</b>	Leaf blight, leaf spots, branch dieback, shelter from winter winds. Little pruning should be required, but prune after growth flush
<b>Cultivars</b>	'Ben Franklin'- deep green needles, 30-40' sun to part shade, salt tolerant 'Black Dragon'- dark green foliage, compact pyramidal form 'Globosa Nana'- globe shaped, 5- high and wide 'Radicans'- blue green foliage 'Sekkan-Sugi'- yellow-green new growth, pyramidal conical

	'Wintermint'- vigorous, open form, retains green color in winter 'Yoshino'- blue-green summer color, bronze-green in winter, 30-40' high
<b>Notes:</b>	

