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## Pond Cypress

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- **Category:** Trees
- **Type:** Deciduous Conifer
- **Exposure:** Full Sun / Part Shade
- **Fall Color:** Orange
- **Foliage:** Green
- **Form:** Pyramidal
- **Maximum Growth:** Approx. 50'h x 15' w
- **Zones:** 4 to 10
- **Drought Tolerance:** High
- **Scientific Name:** *Taxodium distichum 'Pond'*
- **Usage:** Ornamental, Parking Lot, Street Tree, Specimen, Screen, Account, Foundation, Mass



### Introduction

Pond Cypress is a narrow version of the more familiar Bald Cypress. This is a deciduous conifer capable of reaching 80 feet tall with a narrow habit of 15 foot spread. The branches arise at right angles to the main trunk, creating a very symmetrical form. The needles are held tight to the branches, giving a kind of rope-like effect, not as soft a look as the Bald Cypress. Pond Cypress is the last tree to leaf out with bright green needles appearing in late April. In October, the needles turn a coppery-orange.

### Use and Management

In a large landscape or park, the narrow, ascending form of the Pond Cypress would make a delightful plant to mass at the edge of water. The trees should be arranged informally with gaps in the planting to create the illusion of a natural planting. The tall stately form of the tree also makes it suitable for use as a single specimen.

Pond Cypress has no pest problems, but bagworms and spider mites could attack the tree if conditions were right.

### Planting

- Typically planted in 10, 15, 30, or 45 gal containers.
- B&B trees are specified in height (6' – 8' ht, etc) or caliper (3" cal., etc)
- Container trees can be double the price of B&B trees
- Plant container trees in late summer, if price allows
- Plant B&B trees if they were dug and cured in the winter months



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