



**Yokohama Japanese Black Pine**  
*Pinus thunbergii 'Yokohama'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 7 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 6a

**Description:**

A loose and spreading evergreen shrub with upright individual branches and dark green needles; an adaptable and tough garden plant for adding interest to a garden composition with its curious growth habit

**Ornamental Features**

Yokohama Japanese Black Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its broadly spreading habit of growth. It has dark green evergreen foliage. The needles remain dark green throughout the winter.

**Landscape Attributes**

Yokohama Japanese Black Pine is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Yokohama Japanese Black Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Yokohama Japanese Black Pine*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Yokohama Japanese Black Pine will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 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 80 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.