

Blue Spruce *Pinus pungens*

Distribution: Blue Spruce is native to the western United States

Growth: Blue Spruce can grow unusually slow the first 1 to 3 years after planting but has a medium growth rate after that. Its crown is very dense with attractive pyramidal form, reaching heights of 50 to 60 feet.

Adaptability: Blue Spruce does well in full sun and grows in a variety of soil conditions. It requires normal moisture with moderate tolerance to flooding and drought.

Comments: Its crown is very dense with attractive pyramidal form. It makes an excellent windbreak species in most regions of the state and traps and holds snow well. Blue spruce provides excellent winter cover for upland game birds and small animals.

