

Colorado Blue Spruce

Picea pungens

Silvery-blue needles 3/4" to 1-1/4"

Adaptable to various types of soil

Good drought tolerance

Slow for the first five years but then it grows quickly

Type – Evergreen Tree

Mature Height 30 – 60 ft.

Mature Width 10 – 20 ft.

Colorado's official state tree. This tree is one of the most popular trees planted in landscapes, not only in Colorado but throughout the west. It adapts well to cultivated, drier conditions of the plains and in cities. Give this tree plenty of room to grow. Do not plant within 12-15 feet of a sidewalk or structure. Often used as an accent tree because of its dominating appearance when large. It is great for visual screening and windbreaks. Leaving branches attached all the way to the ground gives a full pyramidal appearance. However, many are trimmed up for visibility and mowing.