

Calocedrus

Calocedrus (Libocedrus) (Cupressaceae)



decurrens, Incense Cedar

Origin: Oregon, California. Conifer with columnar or pyramidal habit, dense, slender and elegant; cracked bark the colour of cinnamon. Bright green leaves which if rubbed give off a strong scent. Numerous, showy flowers in autumn-winter; the male flowers are golden yellow, the female ones are green and develop into rich brown cones. Grows well in all types of soil and withstands pollution.

decurrens "Aureovariegata", Variegated Incense Cedar

Variety of the above species, with the same habit, but less tall when fully grown. Also, it produces very few flowers and rarely develops cones. The leaves are the same and when rubbed give off the same fragrant aroma. Further, it presents scattered splashes of golden yellow which makes the plant colourful in all seasons, but especially in winter when colour is needed. Variegated conifers have admirers and denigrators - everyone loves *Calocedrus decurrens* "Aureovariegata".

