

Cupressus

Cupressus, Cypress (*Cupressaceae*)



arizonica "Fastigiata", (grafted)

Origin: Italy. Conifer with conical or narrowly columnar habit, dense branches very close to each other which cover the stem up to the top. Evergreen, scaly, imbricate, bright blue leaves. In spring the sun bleaches the leaves and they have a silvery glow. Flowers and fruit: monoecious conifer which rarely flowers and bears fruit. Very adaptable to various climates, from cold and rainy, hot and dry to maritime. Tolerates most types of soil, even calcareous. Withstands pruning which can be carried out often, but not too hard.

arizonica "Fastigiata Aurea"

Pyramidal conifer, dense and regular in the first years. Later the angle of the branches spreads out from the stem and the plant looks like a cone with a very wide base. Leaves: evergreen, scaly, imbricate, bright yellow in spring, sulphur yellow later. Same characteristics and growing requirements as previous plant.





macrocarpa "Goldcrest"

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macrocarpa "Lutea" (*C. macrocarpa* "Aurea")

Conifer with broad conical habit, branches that are at first upright and then tend to arrange themselves horizontally. Often, because of the climate it becomes wide, flared and even spherical. Evergreen, needle-like leaves, scaly, bright yellow if exposed to the sun. Tolerates all types of soil, even dry and calcareous. Tolerates maritime exposure.



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sempervirens "Pyramidalis" **(*C. sempervirens* "Stricta"),** Italian Cypress

Origin: Italy. Conifer with columnar, narrow, tapering and compact habit, bright green. Flowers: monoecious conifer with male and female flowers arranged in yellowish strobiles at the ends of the branchlets. Fruit: round, 2-3cm wide, shiny green at first and greyish-brown when ripe (ripening occurs every two years). Deep roots in the first years which later spread out superficially, consequently in areas where there are strong winds a sheltered position is recommended. As regards soil, there are no special requirements as it grows well in clay, calcareous, compact, poor and dry soil. Tolerant

of maritime climate if protected by a screen. Its unique outline is best preserved by light but constant pruning.

sempervirens "Totem"

Similar to *Cupressus sempervirens* 'Pyramidalis' with the following differences:

- slower growth
- more compact habit
- finer twigs and brighter green needles
- practically no fruit.

