

Botanical Name: Platycladus orientalis

Common Name: Oriental arborvitae

Type of Plant: Conifer: tree Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape dense - shrubby conifer tree with flat branchlets of  
scale-like twigs arranged in vertical planes

Height 10-25'(40') Spread 10-15'(20') Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun preferred

Soil likes a well-drained soil

Hardiness hardy-zones 1-24

Morphology:

Leaves small scale-like, arranged in flattened branchlets held  
in vertical planes - usually somewhat golden toward branch tips

Flowers none

Fruit small knobby cone 3/8-1/2" diameter

Propagation: seed, hardwood cuttings

Usage: large filler or background tree used in formal landscapes,  
mixed with other conifers, against walls or other masonry

Landscape Care:

Watering likes regular watering - tolerates drought - but looks  
best with water

Fertilizing slow-release at planting

Pruning best if unpruned - do any heading back in fall or winter

Pests/Diseases spider mites

Special Conditions 'Beverlyensis' most common variety

Origin: China/Korea Family: Cupressaceae