

Botanical Name: Podocarpus nagi

Common Name: (same)

Type of Plant: conifer: tree Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape very erect, usually single-trunked tree, with spreading-drooping branches forming a distinct, narrow, pyramidal-columnar canopy

Height 10'-20'(50') Spread 1/2-1/2 Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure outdoors partial or full sun preferred; can tolerate shade

Soil moist loam preferred; tolerates poorer soils

Hardiness hardy (zones 8,9,14-24): thrives in cool, humid coast

Morphology:

Leaves modified needles: elliptic or narrowly ovate, 1"-3" long, alternate or opposite; 1/2"-1-1/2" wide, leathery, rather sharp-pointed and stiff

Flowers inconspicuous

Fruit berry-like, 1/2" long, oval

Propagation: stem cuttings, seed

Usage: a small-scale vertical accent (narrow form); groves, container plant; often used in oriental-theme landscapes as a screen

Landscape Care:

Watering regular is preferred; can tolerate heavy irrigation if drainage is excellent

Fertilizing as needed; check for chlorosis in heavy soils

Pruning none, except to selectively tip back for more dense canopy

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: Japan Family: Podocarpaceae