

Prairie Statesman® Swiss Stone Pine

Pinus cembra 'Herman' (Family: *Pinaceae*)

Description: This five-needled cultivar is a very elegant, stately tree. Its lateral branches curve markedly upward and slightly inward, resulting in a narrowly-erect, strikingly-dense growth habit. Color of needles year-round is a rich emerald-green, with silvery-blue overtones. Prairie Statesman® is extremely cold hardy and drought tolerant making this singularly outstanding specimen evergreen an excellent choice for use as a landscape specimen tree.

Hardiness: USDA hardiness zone 2b to 7.

Mature Size: Height: 30', Spread: 15'

Form (Shape): Narrowly-erect form.

Growth Rate: Slow to Moderate

Foliage: Rich emerald-green needles with silvery-blue overtones year-round.

Texture: Medium to Fine

Flower: Inconspicuous, no ornamental value.

Fruit: 3" violet-brown cone, which remain on the tree for 3 years. Cones never open.

Special Features: Narrowly-erect, strikingly-dense rich emerald-green with silvery-blue overtone growth

Light Preferences: Full sun.

Soil Preferences: Needs well-drained soil.

Propagation: Grafting

Ornamental Attributes: Prairie Statesman® Swiss stone pine has outstanding perfectly symmetrical upright narrow form with a strikingly-dense growth habit.

Landscape Attributes: It has increased hardiness and drought tolerance. Resistant to most pests and diseases. Resistant to needle burn. Transplants very well and needs little pruning for a strong structure. It is recommended as a landscape specimen tree.

Comments: Originated as a seedling selection. Deer browsing can be an issue with this species.

Availability: Iseli Nursery (OR), Oregon Pride Nurseries, Inc.(OR), Sester Farms, Inc. (OR)

