



# PINUS HALEPENSIS


## Aleppo Pine

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Rabbit resistant

 Deer resistant

 Native to the Mediterranean



### Why we love it...

Believed to be the first holiday tree ever decorated, the Aleppo Pine is one of the few live Christmas trees that is especially adapted to arid climates, which means that Tucsonans can plant it in their yards after decorations come down! Younger trees have the symmetrical pyramid shape of a traditional holiday tree, but as this impressive tree ages, it will eventually shed its lower branches and develop a tall canopy with a distinctively open, cloud-like silhouette. This tall canopy casts ample cooling shade, and makes Aleppo Pine one of the best overstory trees for our region. It also serves large landscapes as a windbreak, space definer, and skyline enhancer.



**Lydia says:** New shoots of growth that appear on the ends of a pine tree's branches in spring are called "candles". The size and bushiness of your tree can be controlled by cutting these back before new needles emerge.

### Evergreen Tree: *Pinus halepensis*

**Size (H x W):** 30-50 feet x 30-40 feet

**Blooms:** Inconspicuous flowers in spring

**Exposure:** Full sun to part shade

**Hardiness Zone:** 15° F, USDA Zone 8

**Water:** Low to moderate

**Pruning:** Winter

**Growth Rate:** Fast



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