



# PINUS ELDARICA


## Afghan Pine

 Low to moderate water

 Full sun to part shade

 Rabbit resistant

 Deer resistant

 Native to S. Russia, Afghanistan, Pakistan



### Why we love it...

A Large portion of the Pine trees you see around Tucson today are Afghan Pines, and for good reason! This species is very well adapted to desert climates; tolerating our alkaline soil and fluctuating temperatures and periods of drought with ease. It also accepts wet soils better than any of the other pines that grow in our area. Afghan Pine grows quickly to form a dense, symmetrical pyramid with strong, broad, evenly spaced branches. Whether used as a screen, a windbreak, or a space definer, it casts cooling shade and lends a woody effect to the landscape. As a bonus, Afghan Pines can be purchased as living Christmas Trees, so you can plant one every year!



**Lydia says:** Afghan Pine develops a fantastic branching structure with little to no pruning required!

### Evergreen Tree: *Pinus eldarica*

**Size (H x W):** 30-50 feet x 15-25 feet

**Blooms:** Inconspicuous flowers in spring

**Exposure:** Full sun to part shade

**Hardiness Zone:** 5° F, USDA Zone 6

**Water:** Low to moderate

**Pruning:** Winter

**Growth Rate:** Moderate to fast



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