



Taxus ×media 'Hillii'



Height	3 - 5 m
Width	2-4m
Crown	ovoid/egg-shaped
Bark and branches	twigs brown, bark reddish brown, later fibrous peeling
Leaf	needles, arranged in two rows to spiral, center, 2–2.5 cm long
Flowers	inconspicuous, masculine, yellow buds
Fruits	fruitless cultivar
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	sandy, loamy soil, well-permeable
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5b (-26,0 to -23,4 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, industrial areas, patio gardens
Shape	specimen conifer, hedge plant

Taxus ×media 'Hillii' is a strong large shrub to small tree with dense branching, giving it a compact, full-bodied appearance. At a young age, this cultivar grows broadly upright, but later clearly wider and rounder in shape. Because of its wider shape and dense branching, 'Hillii' is particularly suitable for wide (block) hedges and topiary. 'Hillii' resembles 'Hicksii' in name, but as a plant more like 'Greenland' and 'Overeynderi'. Not least because 'Hillii' is male and 'Hicksii' is female. The poisonous seeds are therefore not formed, although the foliage is also poisonous. However, 'Hillii' does flower profusely, visible by the small yellow buds and clouds of pollen when the plant moves. There are female plants in circulation under the name 'Hillii', but these are not true to type. It is an old cultivar, but still one of the most widely used. Tolerates, like other Taxus, heavy pruning well.