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Pinus nigra 'Pyramidalis'



Height	20 m
Width	3-4m
Crown	narrow pyramidal, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	twigs yellowish brown, bark black-grey and deeply grooved
Leaf	stiff needles, in twos, 9 - 14 cm, dark green, evergreen
Flowers	in clusters b the young shoots, yellow, fragrant flowers
Fruits	pendent cones, single or in pairs, 5 - 10 cm long, 2 - 4 cm wide
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	any
Soil moisture	suitable for dry soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5b (-26,0 to -23,4 °C)
Wind resistance	very good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, roof gardens, coastal areas, industrial areas
Shape	clearstem tree, specimen conifer
Origin	Durand-Eastman park, Rochester, NY, USA, circa 1932

Beautifully impressive, large tree with a lovely crown shape and striking bark. Like the species (P. nigra subsp. nigra) it can be used as a low-branched or crowned tree. When growing freely on its own, the branches remain full down to the base. On a young tree, the crown is narrow pyramidal and retains this shape for a long time. Only as it grows older does the tree spread out. The black-grey bark is deeply grooved and very decorative on older trees. The needles are in twos on the yellowish brown twigs. They are very dark green, stiff and slightly prickly. The light brown, pendent cones hang in pairs or single. Like the species, 'Pyramidalis' is suitable for lots of soil types and also grows on dry, limy soil. Tolerates sea wind and is not sensitive to air pollution.