Weeping Totara

Podocarpus totara 'Pendulus'



Weeping Totara foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 30 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: syn. P. totara 'Pendula'

Description:

A hardy pendulous variety that is wide spreading with no leader; green-gold foliage with a very fine texture, makes it a lovely accent on a large landscape; slow growing and long lived, so give lots of room; can be maintained as a screen



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Ornamental Features

Weeping Totara has attractive grayish green evergreen foliage which emerges gold in spring on a tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. The needles are highly ornamental and remain grayish green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Weeping Totara is a multi-stemmed evergreen tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Weeping Totara is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Weeping Totara will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 60 years or more.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.