Douglas Fir

(Pseudotsuga menziesii)

Mature Height: 40'-60'

Mature Spread: 15'-20'

Growth Rate: Fast

Douglas Fir will tolerate a variety of soils and growing conditions. It prefers moist, well-drained, acidic soils and full sun. It will also tolerate drought conditions to some degree. The Douglas Fir transplants well, especially in spring, due to its fibrous root system. The needles are soft and a lighter blue-green. Proper watering after planting and well into the fall will prevent winter-burn. Douglas



Fir has been very successful in windbreaks and landscapes in Nebraska. It is more easily transplanted than the true firs and can handle the environmental extremes experienced in the Midwest better. It does require some maintenance when young to maintain its conical shape, but the effort is well worth the result.

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