

Care Tips

Water (Frequency):

Once every other day. For areas that are extremely hot (like Portmore), water once per day. Seedlings in pots should be watered once every day.

*Plant growth may be boosted using fertilizers, such as Ammonium Sulfate or 20-20-20 (enriches colour of foliage).

Pruning (Frequency):

Pinch or clip edges of the plant within the first six months of the seedling being planted (if grown for use as Christmas tree). Prune every three to four months onwards to keep a desirable shape and size.

Common Pests and Treatments:

In case of an attack by blights (fungus) or aphids (insect pest), your plant may be treated with the following:

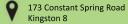
- Sulcox
- Ridomil

fungicides

- Champion
- Actara

Engeo

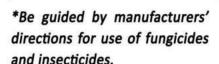
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Uses

Ornamental: Planted in pots or outdoors. Decorated for use as a Christmas tree.



Agroforestry: Used to establish windbreaks or live fences.





Description

Scientific Name Cupressus lusitanica

Family Cupressaceae (Conifer)

Native Range Mexico and Central America

Height at Maturity 35m

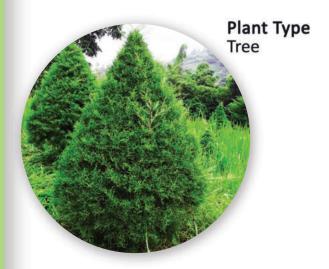
Time to Maturity 6-9 years (3 years for use as Chrstmas tree)

Coning Period May to August

Light Preference Full sun

Soil Preference Deep, well-drained, moist, fertile and loamy

Location Preference Thrives in cool, hilly areas



Foliage Evergreen





Green when young, brown when mature