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EASTERN ARBORVITAE; NORTHERN WHITE CEDAR

Thuja occidentalis

Species is familiar evergreen hedge or foundation plant due to many cultivars. Straight species has same clean, upright habit plus wildlife benefits.

Growing Information

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| Sunlight | Full to part shade |
| Soil Type | Prefers moist, tolerates dry or rocky |
| Height | Can grow 40–60', usually less |
| Flowering calendar | N/A |

Benefits for Wildlife

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| Leaves | Yes |
| Flowers | |
| Fruit | Yes |
| Seeds | Yes |

Host to 48 caterpillar species, including:
(common names) Pale Beauty; Io Moth; Brown Cedar Leafminer Moth; Nelson's Hairstreak; Western Pine Elf; Curve-lined Angle

Benefits for People

- Long-lived native option for familiar upright conical foundation plant; use in groups for hedgerows
- Fragrant evergreen foliage

Natural Habitat

- Bogs, fens, wetlands

