



## Swiss Stone Pine

*Pinus*

Pinaceae

### Description

The Swiss Stone Pine is a slow growing tree native to mountainous areas in central Europe. It has long, soft needles found in bundles of five. It's popular due to the edible nuts found within the cones produced in fall. It is the primary source of European pine nuts. However, they are hard to harvest, so it is more often planted as a landscape tree.

### General Information

<b>Zone:</b> 3-7	<b>Soil Texture:</b> Clay, Loam, Sand	<b>Fall Color:</b> Green
<b>Height:</b> 30-40'	<b>Soil pH:</b> Acidic-Alkaline	<b>Bloom Color:</b> Yellow, Brown, Green, Red
<b>Width:</b> 15-25'	<b>Exposure:</b> Full Sun, Part Shade	<b>Bloom Time:</b> Spring, Summer
<b>Habit:</b> Pyramidal	<b>Water Needs:</b> Average	<b>Fragrance:</b> Yes
<b>Growth Rate:</b> 12" per year	<b>Soil Drainage:</b> Well-Drained	<b>Fruit Color:</b> Brown
	<b>Other:</b> Drought	<b>Fruiting Time:</b> Fall
	<b>Attributes:</b> Tolerant	<b>Fruit Flavor:</b> Inedible
		<b>Attracts:</b> Butterflies, Birds, Small Mammals

#### Resources:

[Plants A to Z: Find Plant Names by Letter \(thespruce.com\)](https://thespruce.com/plants-a-to-z-find-plant-names-by-letter-113828)  
[Find a Plant | NC Extension Gardener Plant Toolbox \(ncsu.edu\)](https://ncsu.edu/extension/gardener-plant-toolbox/)  
[Trees and Plants | The Morton Arboretum](https://mortonarboretum.org/trees-and-plants/)  
[WSU PNW Plants](https://pnw.wsu.edu/plants/)

[The Tree Guide at arborday.org](https://arborday.org/the-tree-guide/)  
[Woody Plants Catalog | The UFOR Nursery & Lab \(umn.edu\)](https://um.edu/for-nursery-lab/)  
[Plant Finder \(missouribotanicalgarden.org\)](https://missouribotanicalgarden.org/plant-finder/)  
[N.D. Tree Handbook \(nds.edu\)](https://nds.edu/tree-handbook/)