

# Norfolk Island Pine

## *Araucaria heterophylla*



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### Origin

Norfolk Island

### Characteristics

Solitary trunk. Grey-black, flaking bark. Horizontal branches in whorls. Narrow incurved leaves. Female cones up to 12 cm in upper crown.

### Tolerances

Low tolerance to waterlogging and frost.



### Description

Typical height:  
20- 25 metres

Typical width:  
5-10 metres

Growth rate:  
Moderate to fast

Typical form:  
Conical to pyramidal

### Facts and Trivia

Commonly planted in coastal situations around Australia. Thought to have been planted as landmarks to assist shipping navigation.

Large specimens in Norfolk Island are over 350 years old with stem circumferences of over 11 metres.

Many early settlers to Tasmania came from Norfolk Island and were known to plant the trees in their front yards.

Sometimes used as Christmas trees as substitutes to northern hemisphere derived firs, spruces and pines.