



## **Laarheide Mugo Pine**

*Pinus mugo 'Laarheide'*

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3a

### **Description:**

A top-notch evergreen garden shrub with a dense, mounded and spreading habit of growth throughout its life, very compact and slow growing; medium green color turns vibrant and luminous yellow at the approach of colder weather

### **Ornamental Features**

Laarheide Mugo Pine is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its broadly spreading habit of growth. It has emerald green evergreen foliage. The needles turn outstanding shades of yellow and gold in the fall, which persists throughout the winter.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Laarheide Mugo Pine is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Laarheide Mugo Pine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

### **Planting & Growing**

Laarheide Mugo Pine will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.



*Laarheide Mugo Pine*  
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*



This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.