



Picea pungens 'Koster'



Высота	10 - 15 m
Ширина	3-5m
Крона	narrow pyramidal, dark, dense crown
Кора и ветви	bark greyish black, scaled, twigs glossy orange-brown
Лист	stiff, pointy needles, silvery blue, 2 - 3 cm, evergreen
Цветы	unremarkable
Плоды	hanging, cylindrical cones, 4 - 10 cm long
Колючки/шипы	None
Ядовитость	неядовитый, обычно
Вид почвы	nutrient-rich, moisture-retentive, preferably not too acidic
Влажность почвы	устойчив к сухим почвам
Мощение	неустойчив к мощению
Зона зимостойкости	4 (-34,4 до -28,9 °C)
Устойчивость к ветру	moderate
Прочие виды устойчивости	устойчив к морозам, зона 1 - 6
Дерево-среда обитания для животных	устойчив к морозам, зона 1 - 6, дерево-источник питания для птиц
Применение	кашпо для деревьев, сады на крыше, промышленные зоны
Форма	штамбовое дерево, солитерное хвойное дерево
Происхождение	A. Koster, Boskoop, Netherlands, 1880

Old cultivar of *Picea pungens* with needles a striking bluish grey colour. This colour is less intense than the colour of the needles of the more recent cultivar 'Hoopsii'. It becomes a broad, pyramidal tree with more or less horizontal branching arranged close together. The tree can grow to approx. 10 - 15 m in height and remains about 5 m in width. In its juvenile stage, it often doesn't have a main trunk that grows vertically, rendering support necessary. As it matures, it grows uniformly. The trunk is greyish brown and later greyish black and deeply scaled. The twigs have no hair and are orange-brown. The intensely silvery blue colour of the stiff, very pointy, closely grouped needles is striking. Its long, cylindrical cones are green at first and turn yellowish brown as they ripen. Makes little demands when it comes to soil type but does require a sunny site. Tolerates more dryness than other spruces.