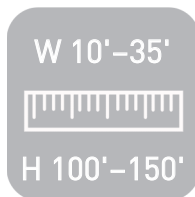




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Western Red Cedar

Thuja plicata
Cypress Family



- Coined the "tree of life" by Native Americans of the northwest
- Prefers moist, well-drained, fertile soils
- Provides cover, nesting sites, and winter shelter for many birds and mammals
- Historically used to build canoes, lodges, and totem poles
- Used by Native Americans to make clothes, mats, ropes, fishing nets and traps, baskets, arrow and spear shafts, and to smoke salmon
- Landscape tree valued for its "lacy," aromatic foliage
- Narrow, pyramidal tree buttressed at the base; foliage bronzes to crimson-purple in winter