

North Dakota Tree Selector

Spruce, Black Hills - *Picea glauca* var. *densata*

A large tree, very dense and pyramidal when young. Not as drought tolerant as Colorado (blue) spruce, but more disease tolerant than Colorado (blue) spruce. Black Hills spruce is a naturally occurring variety of white spruce (*Picea glauca*) native to South Dakota. Better adapted than white spruce which is native in the eastern United States, as far west as Minnesota. The largest Black Hills spruce tree in North Dakota is 98 feet tall with a canopy spread of 43 feet.

General		Growth		Ornamental		Tolerances	
Family	Pinaceae - Pine	Growth Rate	Medium	Flowers	Inconspicuous	Shade	Low
Hardiness	To Zone 2	Mature Height	>45'	Flower Color	n/a	Drought	Medium
Leaves	Evergreen	Longevity	Long	Fall Color	n/a	Flooding	Low
Plant Type	Tree	Power Line	No	Fruit Color	Tan		

