

White Pine
Pinus strobus



Description: medium to large evergreen trees to 120 plus feet tall, 2 to 3 feet diameter. Its pyramid shaped Crown becomes flat-topped, irregular with age. Needles soft, bluegreen, in clusters of five. Woody cones the shape of the human index finger, only longer

Leaves: blue green needles in clusters of five, long to five inches, slender, flexible, soft to the touch, fragrant and resinous when broken

Bark: thin, gray, and smooth on young trees becoming nearly black, deeply furrowed with broad Ridge is composed of purple tinged scales when mature

Flowers: unisexual on same tree male cones numerous, small, yellow spikes to 1/3 inch on new twig growth, female cones fewer, grouped, red to purple. Mature cones woody, curved to 8 in long, frosted white with dried resin, mature in two seasons. Seeds to 1/4 inch, with wing to 3/4 in, wind scattered

Habitat/Range: moist woods and wooded slopes on well drained soils; native in only a few counties in Northwestern Indiana, plus along certain creeks in West Central Indiana. Now planted ornamentally and for forestry purposes throughout the state