

## PLANT CARE GUIDE

# ARAUCARIA HETEROPHYLLA

(ar-ah-KAR-ee-uh het-er-oh-FIL-uh)

### COMMON NAMES:

Norfolk Island Pine, Star Pine, Polynesian Pine, Triangle Tree, Living Christmas Tree

**FAMILY:** Araucariaceae    **ORIGIN:** Norfolk Island, near New Zealand

GROWTH	Upwards, branching
LIGHT	Bright, can tolerate low
WATER	Keep moderately moist
HUMIDITY	40% +
TEMPERATURE	18°C - 28°C
SOIL	Well draining potting mix
CONTAINER	Self-watering planter, irrigated bed
NUTRIENTS	10-10-10 Monthly in Spring & Summer
PROPAGATION	Seed or branch cuttings
INTERIOUSCAPE USE	Imitate the Canadian outdoors
COMMON PESTS	Mealybugs, Aphids, Spider Mites, Scale, Thrips.

COMMON ISSUES	Root rot if sitting in water. Needle drop in drafts.
COMMENTS	Not a true pine tree but is a tropical conifer. Used mainly during the Christmas holidays as a living substitute for a cut Christmas tree. Works well in sunny atriums. Branch cuttings, if propagated right, could be used in living walls.
TOXICITY	Non-toxic and safe