

European larch *Pinaceae Larix decidua* Mill.  symbol:

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Leaf: Deciduous, appearing singly on new growth and in whorls on older growth, 1 inch long, light green in color.

Flower: Species is monoecious; males light yellow, small and round; females yellow to red, with long, curved scales.

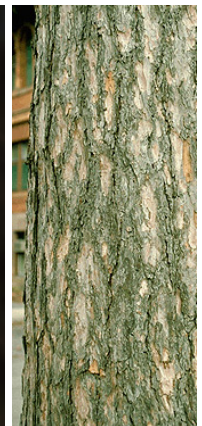
Fruit: Cones are 1 to 1 1/2 inches long, ovoid, composed of many scales that are longer than the bracts, borne upright on the twig, maturing fall to early winter.

Twig: Straw-colored, bearing rounded buds. Spur shoots present on older growth, buds dark brown.

Bark: On young trees the bark is scaly and gray, later becoming furrowed with a reddish brown inner bark.

Form: Well formed, with a straight stem, pyramidal crown, and drooping lateral branches.

Looks like: [Dunkeld larch](#) - [Japanese larch](#) - [tamarack](#) - [western larch](#)



Native to northern and central Europe, planted as a timber tree and an ornamental in zones 2-6, known to escape.

Additional Range Information:
Larix decidua is planted in the [USDA hardiness zones](#) shown above and **may seed into the landscape**. [See states reporting European larch.](#)

External Links:
[USDAFS Additional Silvics](#)
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