

# LEMON CYPRESS CARE GUIDE

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## Lemon Cypress

*Hesperocyparis macrocarpa 'Goldcrest'*

Named for its lemon scented foliage, when scratched or rubbed, these small trees bring a fresh scent to the home.

## WATERING

A lower threshold for drying out, they prefer a good drenching once the top inch of soil has dried out, about once a week. If the soil becomes dry for too long, you will notice browning needles.

## AIR

These plants prefer cooler temperatures and do best in the 60 degree range. Keep away from hot air vents as this will dry the plant out quickly and lead to brown needles.

## PRUNING

Seldom needed, you can prune lightly in the springtime by trimming the growing tips.

## MOVING OUTDOORS

This houseplant does well moved outdoors during the summer months to soak up rays of sunshine. Once danger of frost has passed, begin introducing the plant to the outdoors gradually. Start with a couple hours at first and extend the time each day until you reach the full 8 hours.

## LIGHT

The hardest requirement for taking care of these trees is their desire for high light. These plants like 6-8 hours of direct sunlight a day to thrive.

## GROWTH

When grown indoors as a houseplant, these cypress trees reach about 3ft tall at maturity.

## FERTILIZER

Fertilize once a year in the springtime using a 10-10-10 formula.

## SOIL TYPE

Preferring well draining soil so as to avoid root rot. Best repotted every four years or so to refresh the soil and ensure it is growing in the right sized pot.

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