## Spruce, Norway

## Picea abies

- Evergreen tree with horizontal branches
- Conical in shape
- 40' to 60' tall, 35' to 30' wide
- Fast growth rate
- Fairly dense when young, becoming more open
- Best in well-drained, sandy, acidic soils
- Needles persist 3 to 4 years
- Needles are stiff and pointed,
  0.5" to 1" long
- Needles tend to point downwards
- Medium green in color, all seasons
- Female flowers are pink
- Cones found at the ends of branches
- Mature cones, 4" to 6" long by 1.5" to 2" wide
- Light green color turning to a medium brown at maturity
- Bark is gray brown color
- Peeling, thin scales
- Good windbreak, screen
- Large shade tree when an evergreen is desired











