Larch, European, Common Larch

Larix decidua

- Deciduous conifer
- 80'- 100' tall by 20'- 30' wide
- Pyramidal with horizontal branches and weeping branchlets
- Becomes more irregular with age
- Can tolerate poorly-drained soils, tolerant of air pollution and wind
- Bright green in spring, darkening with maturity
- Soft, flat needles, 1" to 1.25" long
- Needles turn yellow before dropping
- Purple cones dry to brown, 1" to 1.5" long
- Bark is grayish brown
- Loose elongated plates reveal a reddish inner bark
- Can be used as a screen
- Soil compaction can be detrimental

