

# Gold Mop False Cypress

## Planting

Dig the planting hole to the same depth as the root ball or nursery container of the shrub. Make the hole twice as wide as the root ball. Space planting holes 3-4 feet apart. Lift the Gold Mop from the nursery pot. Set it in the planting hole so the top of the root ball is level with the soil surface. Plant the Gold Mop at the same depth it was growing at in its pot. Fill the hole around the roots half-full with soil.

## Watering

Water the soil until it's thoroughly moistened. Finish filling the hole and water a second time. Water the Gold Mop every five to eight days during the first summer after planting, providing enough water to moisten the soil to the depth of the root ball. Established Gold Mops, beginning in the second year after planting, tolerate periods of drought and don't require frequent watering.

## When to Prune

Light pruning of Gold Mop to remove a stray or damaged branch can be performed any time of the year. Shearing of Gold Mop can be performed any time of year, however, to avoid damaging new growth that emerges after pruning, I recommend ceasing pruning two months prior to the average first frost date in your area. Heavy pruning to reduce the size of your Gold Mop should be performed in late winter, while the plant is dormant.