

## Virginia/Scrub Pine

<b>Genus/species</b>	<i>Pinus virginiana</i>	
<b>Family</b>	<b>Pinaceae</b>	(includes spruces, hemlocks, firs, larches and others)
<b>Distribution</b>	<b>Eastern US</b>	W Long Island southward to NE South Carolina NE South Carolina westward through central Alabama to NE Mississippi NE Mississippi northward to S Indiana S Indiana eastward through central Pennsylvania to Long Island

**Comments** This pine grows to be a rather thin, scraggly tree and aggressively establishes itself on poor, dry upland soils. Its twisted needles are in pairs and about 5 to 8 cm long. The mature female cones are rather prickly and from about 4 to 8 cm long. In the spring, its yellow or pinkish male cones produce copious amounts of wind-blown pollen, and the female flowers (*i. e.*, immature cones) appear along the sides of the young shoots.

