

COMMON NAME:

PINYON PINE

SCIENTIFIC NAME:

PINUS EDULIS

ALSO CALLED: TWO-NEEDLE PINYON AND COLORADO PINYON PINE

FLOWER COLOR: BROWN

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: CLUSTERS OF TINY BROWN FLOWERS

FLOWERING TIME: APRIL TO MAY

LEAVES: TWO NEEDLE BUNDLES

NORMAL SIZE: 30' TO 50'

EDIBLE: NUTS ABOUT THE SIZE OF PEANUTS HAVE A TASTE BETTER THAN PEANUTS

NORMAL ELEVATION: 4000' TO 7000'

HABITATION: AREAS NEAR JUNIPER OR AREAS FREE OF PONDEROSA PINES, WHICH ARE TOO SHADING

ABUNDANCE: COMMON

NOTABLE DETAILS: SHORT PINE TREE WITH UGLY PINE CONES WITH VERY TASTY NUTS

SPECIAL INTEREST: NUTS ARE EXTREMELY DESIRABLE BUT HARD TO CATCH AT THE BEST TIME BUT WELL WORTH THE EFFORT TO FIND OUT WHEN. THEY ARE ALSO CALLED PINYON NUTS.