

COMMON NAME:
MEXICAN PINION

SCIENTIFIC NAME:
PINUS CEMBROIDES

ALSO CALLED: MEXICAN NUT PINYON AND STONESEED PINYON

LEAVES: SHORT NEEDLES IN BUNDLES OF TWO OR THREE

CONES: DISTORTED AND SMALL

NORMAL SIZE: 20' TO 30'

EDIBLE: KNOWN FOR IT DELICIOUS NUTS

NORMAL ELEVATION: 5000' TO 7000'

HABITATION: EDGES OF TALLER PINES

ABUNDANCE: COMMON

NOTABLE DETAILS: SHORT TREE WITH SHORT NEEDLE LEAVES AND DISTORTED TWISTED CONES

SPECIAL INTEREST: EXTREMELY TASTY NUTS USED FOR FOOD FOR A LONG TIME.