TAYLOR'S
LANDSCAPE SUPPLY & NURSERY

Bald Cypress

Taxodium distichum

Plant care guide



SUN
Full sun to part shade

WATER
Wet or dry · very adaptable

MATURE SIZE
50–70 ft tall, 20–30 ft wide

BLOOM TIME
Not showy · copper fall color

USDA ZONE
5–10 · fits 8b/9a

Planting	**Best in fall.** Dig 2–5× as wide as the root ball, no deeper; set it level or 2–4 in. high in poor drainage. Thrives at pond edges and in wet spots, and grows fine in a lawn too.
Watering	**First months:** keep the root ball moist, not soggy. **Established:** takes flooding and drought; water in dry summers to keep mites away.
Soil & Mulch	Almost any soil, even soggy clay, but not alkaline (pH over 7.5). 2–4 in. of mulch, off the trunk. Ask us about Taylor's soil and mulch.
Fertilizer	**Water, not food, matters most at first.** Feed only if growth is weak or a soil test calls for it; use slow-release.
Pruning	**Little needed.** It keeps one straight trunk on its own; remove dead wood and low limbs.
Lowcountry Tip	A South Carolina native. Needles turn copper and drop in fall, so it is bare in winter. Near water it grows "knees."