

## TAXACEAE – YEW FAMILY

**Plant:** mostly trees, sometimes shrubs; mostly not resinous or aromatic

**Stem:** often very branching

**Root:**

**Leaves:** evergreen and simple needle-like, alternate or rarely opposite and spirally arranged, often twisted to appear as 2 rows, decurrent on stem

**Flowers:** monoecious or dioecious; both sexes as cones, seeds not winged

**Fruit:** single seeds, naked on short stalks, red and berry-like

**Other:**

**Genera:** 5+ genera; locally *Taxus* (yew)

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