



LOOK FOR NEEDLES
IN BUNDLES OF
TWO

SHORTLEAF PINE

PINUS ECHINATA

A medium-sized, hardy pine. Dark bluish-green needles appear in bundles of two. Brown cones 1.5 to 2.5" long are usually not produced until the tree reaches 20 years old. Attractive reddish-brown bark is scaly plates on mature trees.



TYPE:
Evergreen



SIZE:
60 feet high
35 feet wide



SUN:
Full sun



FLOWERS:
In clusters at twig
tips; male flowers
red-purple catkins;
female flowers pale
red strobilus



USDA ZONES:
6-9



ID TIPS:
Very small resin or "pitch"
pockets may be seen on the
trunk.



WILDLIFE VALUE:
Host for the elfin butterfly



INTERESTING FACT:
Important timber tree in the
South where it is harvested
for a variety of purposes,
including plywood and wood
pulp

