Dawn Redwood

Metasequoia glyptostroboides

Habitat native to China

- First described from fossil records in 1941
- Seeds were collected in the mid 1940's, brought to U.S
- Fast growth rate
- Reaches 75'-100'
- Leaves are deciduous
- Deciduous stems, have needles, but no buds
- Deciduous stems drop in the fall with the needles
- Medium to bright green
- Unique pinkish tan to reddish bronze then drop in the fall
- Elongated or rounded cones 0.5" to 1" long
- Brown or dark brown when mature
- Shredded reddish brown bark
- Trunk base is tapered and looks braided, fluted
- Best on moist, well-drained, slightly acidic soils
- Full sun is needed
- Avoid locating the plant in frost pockets since late growth is injured by early fall frosts

