



PRACTICALITY BROWN

HEDGE FACT SHEET: EVERGREEN

We are proud to be sole supplier of the unique UK grown **Elveden Instant Hedge™** - a true 'Instant Hedge'. It is a mature hedge, fully knitted together and sold by the linear metre, not as individual plants. Grown at the Elveden Estate in East Anglia, since 1998 this product has been developed and extensively trialled to ensure that it is an effective and robust hedge. Elveden Instant Hedge comes in various species, please see below for the choice of our evergreen instant hedge and separate sheet for deciduous species:

Common Name	Latin name	Instant Hedge	Leaf detail
Box	<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>		
This is a classic hedge, typically used in formal garden designs. The leaves are dark green, shiny and aromatic with the new growth being a vibrant bright green. Requires a fertile, well-drained soil with a warm location in sun or shade.			
Laurel	<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>		
Also known as Cherry Laurel, it makes a bright, dense hedge with shiny green leaves that are thick and leathery. It will thrive in most soils, including clay, but it dislikes chalk; happy in sun or shade.			
Portuguese Laurel	<i>Prunus lusitanica</i>		
Attractive and compact, its leaves are ovate and dark green. Likes most soils including clay and chalk; sun or shade, but it dislikes wet ground.			
Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>		
A familiar shrub, creating a dense thorny barrier, with leaves that are shiny dark green on top and lighter green underneath. Tiny white flowers in May/June and bright red (poisonous) berries from September. Thrives in most well drained soils including clay. It is happy in either sun or shade but dislikes heat and drought.			
Red Robin	<i>Photinia fraseri</i>		
A striking hedge with red new shoots that turn to shiny dark green with age. Thrives in all well-drained soils including chalk. Position in sun or light shade and avoid frost pockets as Photinia is sensitive to frost.			
White Cedar	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i> 'Yellow Ribbon'		
A dense hedge with golden yellow leaves that are highly aromatic. Thrives in almost any soil, either sun or partial shade. Good for urban areas.			
Oval Leaf Privet	<i>Ligustrum ovalifolium</i>		
A vigorous shrub with shiny semi-evergreen leaves that are oval, pointed and somewhat leathery, mid-green and yellow-green underneath. Likes any well-drained soil including chalk, needs sun or part shade. It is tolerant of Coastal Conditions but not frost.			
Yew	<i>Taxus baccata</i>		
A long lived native conifer that makes an excellent formal hedge. The leaves are shiny dark green needles that are pale green underneath. Happy in all but the most acidic of soils, and in sun or partially shade but will tolerate full shade.			