State Christmas Tree of North Carolina: Fraser Fir

This law is the result of the hard work of eighth grade students at Harris Middle School in Spruce Pine, who researched the economic impact of the Fraser Fir industry on the state and suggested this species as a new state symbol.

Fraser firs, which are from the Appalachian Mountains, can reach a height of 80 feet and may have trunks as large as 18 inches in diameter.

The Fraser Fir can take as long as 12 years to grow to Christmas Tree height (6-7 feet). The Fraser Fir has been chosen many times as the White House Christmas Tree and is a big part of Christmas tree production in North Carolina.