



Strobili



"Strobili" is the plural version of the word "strobilus." A "strobilus" is "a cone-like cluster of sporophylls on an axis." (Click here to [listen to the pronunciation of strobilus.](#))

A "sporophyll" is the structure (a modified leaf) which contains the sporangia (plural of the word "sporangium").



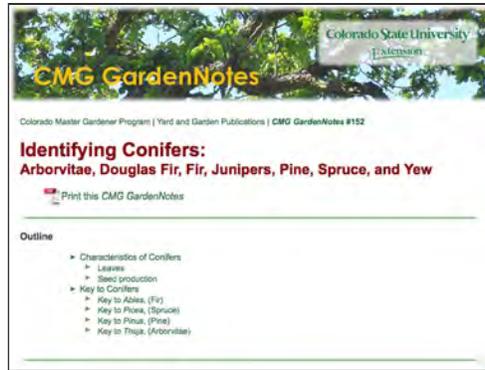
"Sporangia" refers to the cases or sacs which contain the spores. It's easy to see the sporangia on fern leaves (vs. seeing them on a pine cone).

Here's a simpler botanical word to use: strobile. The "strobile" is a cone or an inflorescence which resembles a cone (like the hops inflorescence).



Definitions are from [Plant Identification Terminology](#) by James G. and Melinda Woolf Harris.

Conifer ID



This [website page from the Colorado Master Gardener Program](#) provides a nice key to identifying conifers as members of either the *Cupressaceae* family (Junipers and Arborvitae), the *Pinaceae* family (pine, spruce, fir and Douglas fir) or the *Taxaceae* family (yew).

If you click on the genus name on the site page, you will be taken further down the page to a key for identifying some conifer species within the genus of *Abies*, *Picea*, *Pinus* or *Thuja*.

Mystery Plant Confirmed



Jennifer Prichard was the first to correctly identify [Mystery Plant 088](#) as Oxeye daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*). This is one of the first "edible wild foods" to which I was introduced some years ago. I enjoy eating the plant's leaves. Josh and Sophia commented that the flower petals are also edible.

Mystery Plant

What is the name of this plant? ([There are more images on the website.](#))





When you can identify this plant, provide your response at [IdentifyThatPlant.com](https://www.identifythatplant.com) as a comment for the blog entry called [Mystery Plant 089](#). Please identify the plant by both its common name and its scientific name. The answer will be confirmed in the next newsletter.

Confidently master the skill of correct plant identification

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