



Little Pyramid Juniper

Juniperus communis 'Little Pyramid'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Other Names: Common Juniper

Description:

An upright, miniature cultivar that is sure to add interest with its bushy pyramidal habit and beautiful silvery-green foliage; very hardy and disease resistant; very slow growing and is low maintenance; good for troughs, rock gardens or containers

Ornamental Features

Little Pyramid Juniper is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its distinctively pyramidal habit of growth. It has attractive bluish-green foliage with hints of silver. The tiny needles are highly ornamental and remain bluish-green throughout the winter. It produces blue berries from late spring to late winter.

Landscape Attributes

Little Pyramid Juniper is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a distinctive and refined pyramidal form. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Little Pyramid Juniper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Little Pyramid Juniper
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Planting & Growing

Little Pyramid Juniper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Little Pyramid Juniper makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.