Hoarfrost Juniper

Juniperus sabina 'Hoarfrost'



Hoarfrost Juniper
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Height: 8 inches

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

A beautiful creeping and spreading form of juniper with steely silver-blue foliage all season long, one of the lowest growing varieties of this species and rather hardy, too; makes a fine groundcover for a splash of color, best used in group plantings

Ornamental Features

Hoarfrost Juniper is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its broadly spreading habit of growth. It has attractive silvery blue evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage are highly ornamental and remain silvery blue throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Hoarfrost Juniper is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a ground-hugging habit of growth. 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.

Hoarfrost Juniper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover

Planting & Growing

Hoarfrost Juniper will grow to be about 8 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.