



Icee Blue Juniper

Juniperus horizontalis 'Icee Blue'

Height: 4 inches

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

A spectacular dense, intense, ground-hugging evergreen for use as a color accent groundcover; featuring steely-blue foliage all season long; reasonably compact; extremely adaptable and hardy; will fountain over retaining walls.

Ornamental Features

Icee Blue 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

Icee Blue 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 usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Icee Blue Juniper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover



Icee Blue Juniper
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Icee Blue Juniper foliage
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Planting & Growing

Icee Blue Juniper will grow to be only 4 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 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 prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and will often die in 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.